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Hello. I'm George Oates, Project Lead of the Open Library project, from the Internet Archive in San Francisco.

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Wow! Congratulations on 10 years! I'm Very Impressed by the strength of the Koha Community and the remarkable distributed development that's built this awesome software. Congratulations on being one of the web's best open source systems.

Open Library & Koha Sitting in a Tree

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I'm a web designer by trade, so had a fairly steep learning curve into the world of libraries and bibliographic metadata when I started the job in the middle of last year. As I began to learn the lay of the land, Koha quickly became apparent as a first class piece of open source library software, and I wrote to Chris to see if I could come to KohaCon, and... here I am!

I'm bummed that I can't stick around for the Hackfest later, so hopefully, I can show you enough about Open Library to get you interested to use it as a resource... But first, a short introduction to the Internet Archive...



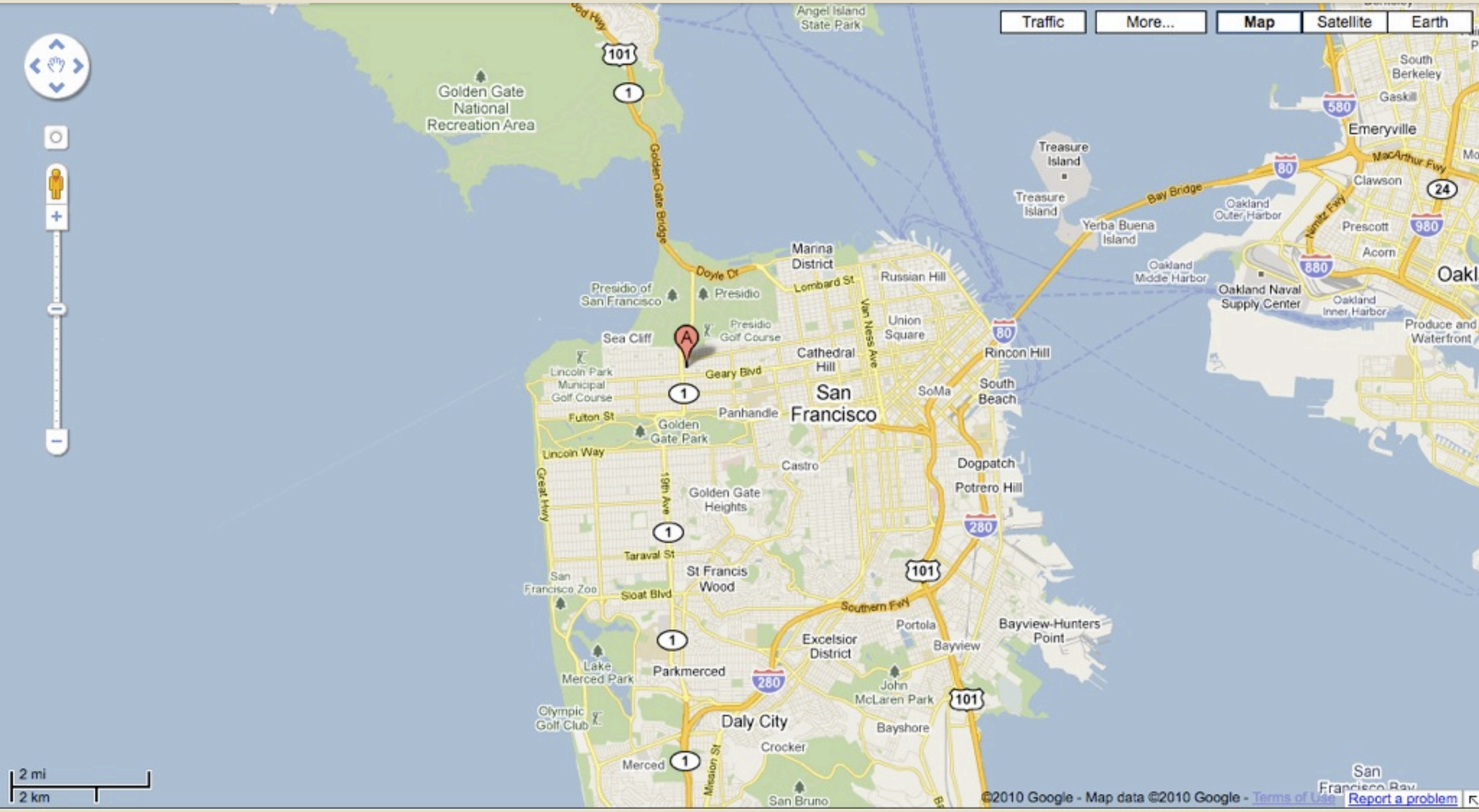
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I work at the Internet Archive, leading The Open Library project. We recently moved in to this church in The Richmond in San Francisco. We're turning it into a library.



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We’re based in San Francisco, California, where I happen to have been living for about 5 years.



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It’s a great town, and if you ever come, let me know and I’ll take you out for a drink!

Universal Access to All Knowledge

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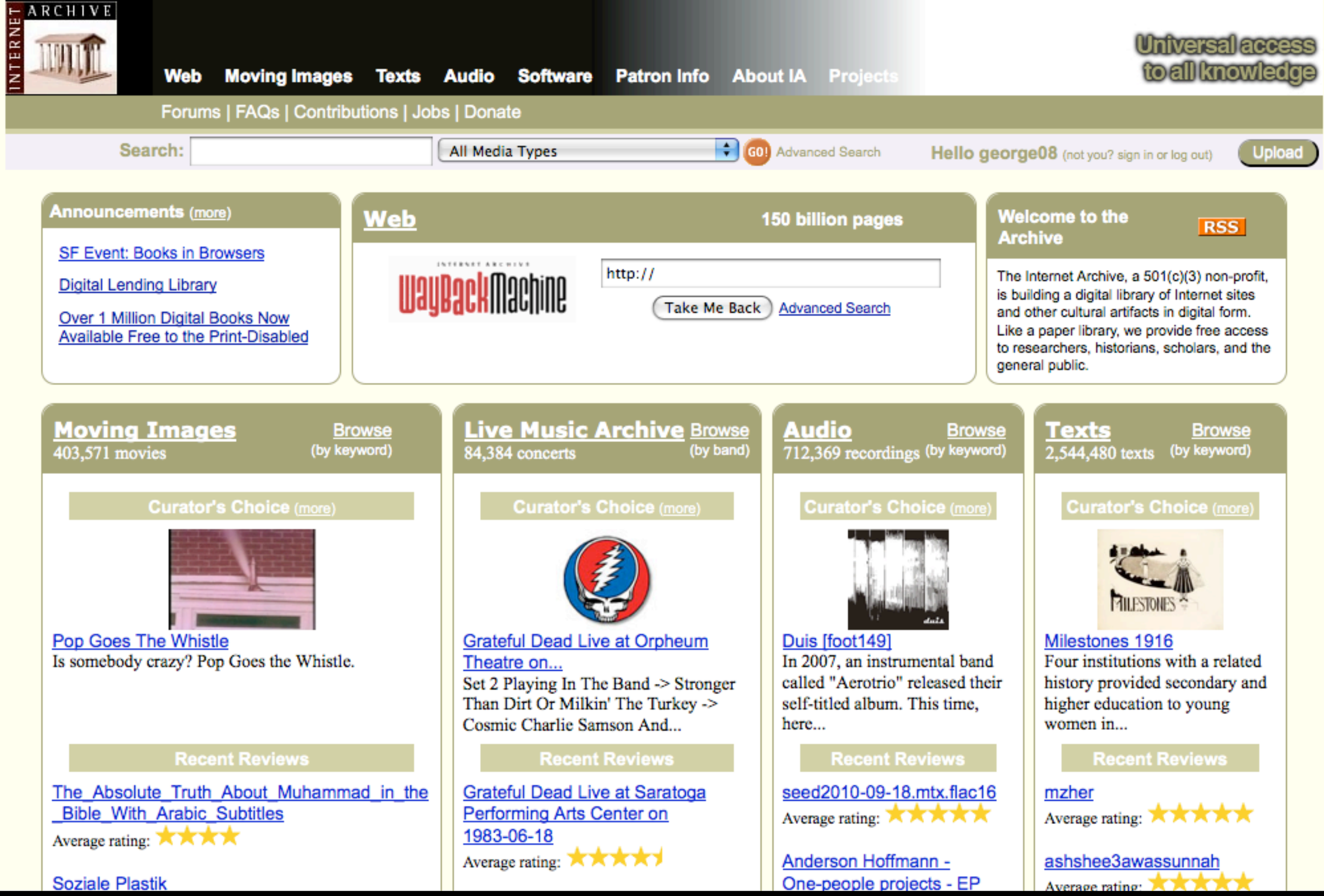
Since 1996, the non-profit Internet Archive has been building a digital library of Internet sites and other things in digital form. archive.org has a ton of texts, video, software, live music... all sorts of things.

Our mission is Universal Access to all Knowledge. Not a bad reason to get out of bed each day...



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It’s not your traditional non-profit... Lots of the staff are technologists and developers.



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We have many computers. They store over
- 100,000 hours of TV from channels all over the world
- 250,000 moving images or video
- 500,000 audio recordings
- 2.5 million scanned texts
- 150,000,000,000 web pages



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Just the other day we had 2.88 petabytes of hard drives delivered. That’s enough storage for about 2 billion books.

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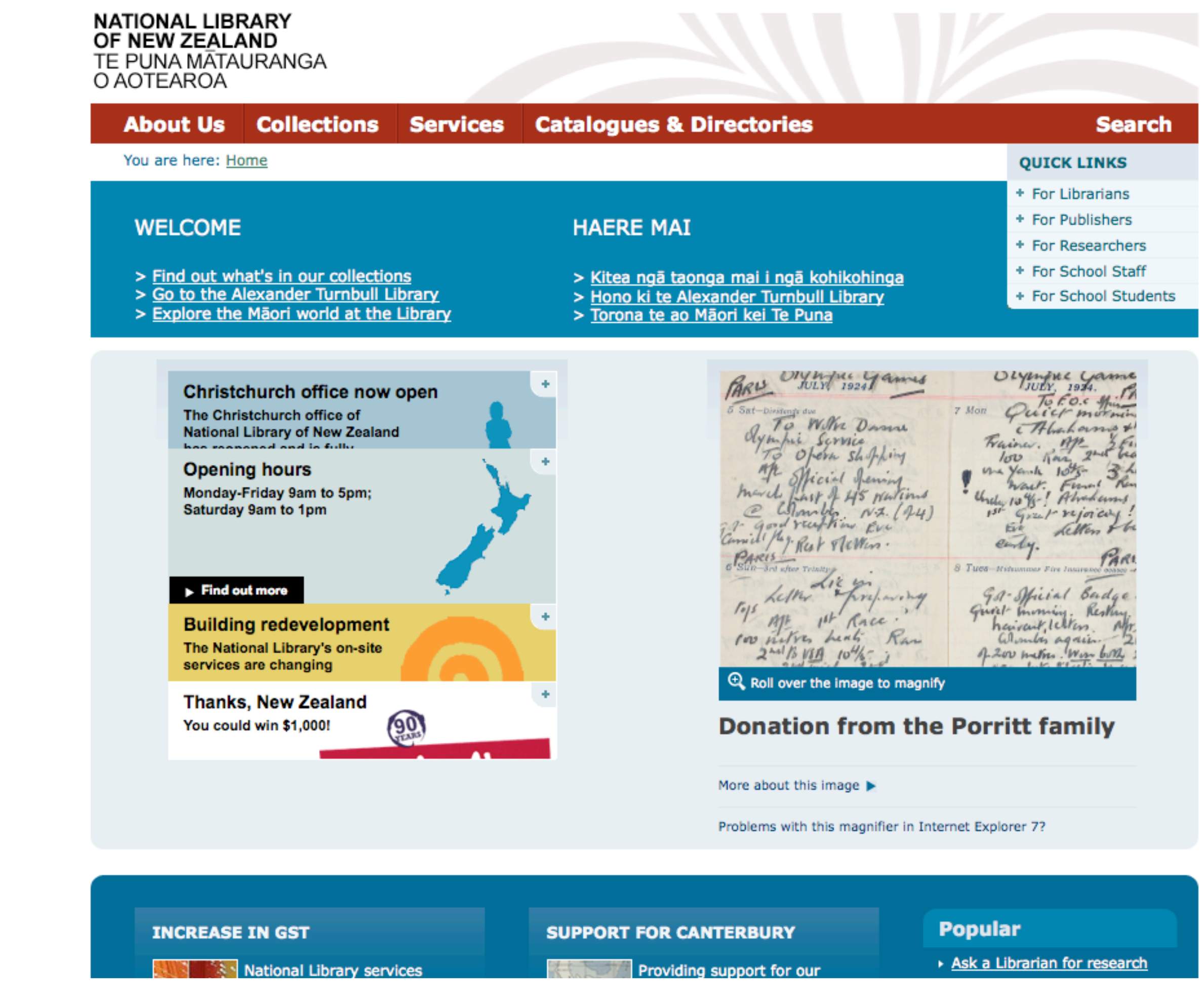
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The Wayback Machine

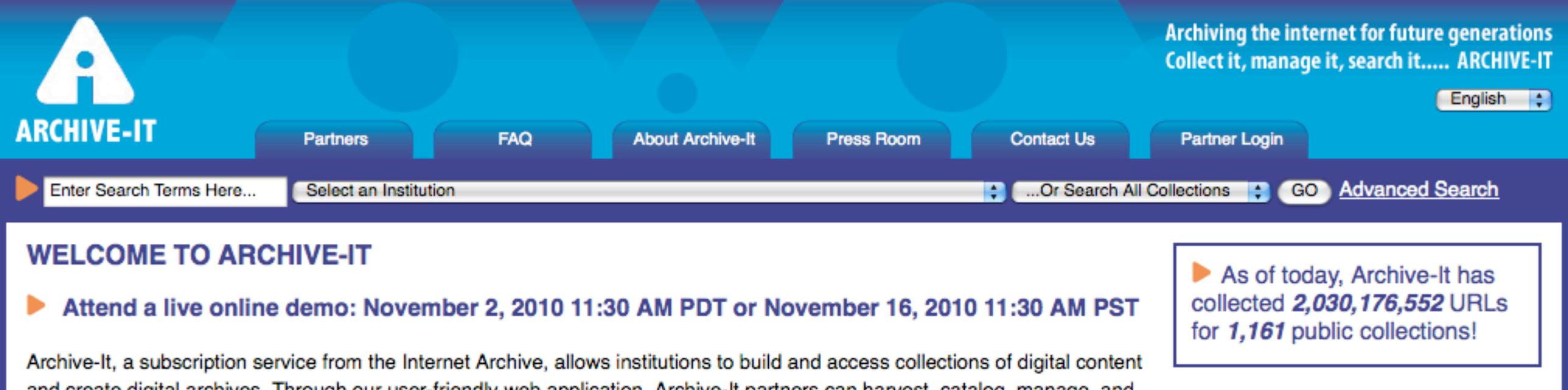
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One of the more well-known things the Archive produces is The Wayback Machine. It's been capturing and storing the Internet since 1996.
For example, this is a snapshot of the National Library of New Zealand's website, captured on July 7, 2000.



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Quite a change to today's site...



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Another service the Archive offers is something I thought the librarians amongst us might be interested in. It's sort of like a mini Wayback Machine that people can use to curate web collections around a certain topic or event.

Europe-focused human rights organization based in Germany. Includes reports. In English; some content in Danish and German.

- http://www.ehrco.org/index.html - **Ethiopian Human Rights Council**
 Ethiopia-focused human rights organization based in Ethiopia that promotes democracy and the rule of law. In English.
- http://www.ehrea.org/ - **Eritrean Human Rights Electronic Archive**
 Eritrea-focused web archive set up to compile all human rights violations committed by the government since 1991. The archive also provides documentation on atrocities committed against Eritrean civilians by the Ethiopian government between 1954-1991 and during the 1998 border war. Contains photos, video, and audio. In English.
- http://www.eisa.org.za/ - **Electoral Institute of Southern Africa**
 Southern Africa-focused human rights organization based in Johannesburg, South Africa, which works toward "the promotion of credible elections, participatory democracy, human rights culture, and the strengthening of governance institutions." Contains reports. In English.
- http://www.equalityhumanrights.com/ - **Equality and Human Rights Commission**
 Great Britain's national human rights institution. Includes publications. In English.
- http://www.erichina.org/english/englishhome.htm - **Empowerment and Rights Institute**
 China-focused human rights organization based in Beijing, which "focuses on protecting the human rights of disadvantaged groups including farmers, laborers (esp. female and child labor), migrant workers, complainants and petitioners, and victims of forced-relocation." Contains Reports. In English (Chinese version under construction).
- http://www.fafg.org/ - **Forensic Anthropology Foundation of Guatemala.**
 Guatemala-focused organization based in Guatemala that uses forensic anthropology to investigate and document human rights violations. Includes reports. In Spanish and English.
- http://www.famafrique.org/ - **Famafrique**
 Francophone Africa-focused women's rights web site based in Dakar, Senegal, which provides information in support of sustainable development and gender equality. Contains reports. In French.
- http://www.fasic.org/ - **Fundación de Ayuda Social de las Iglesias Cristianas**
 Chile-focused Christian human rights organization based in Chile. Contains reports. In Spanish.
- http://www.fawe.org/ - **Forum for African Women Educationalists**
 Africa-focused forum based in Kenya. Aims to to "promote girls' and women's education in sub-Saharan Africa in line with Education For All." In English.
- http://www.fhri.or.ug/ - **Foundation For Human Rights Initiative**
 Uganda-focused human rights organization based in Kampala that is committed to the protection and promotion of human rights and democracy. Contains reports. In English.
- http://www.flamnet.info/ - **Forces de Libération Africaines de Mauritanie**
 Mauritania-focused political organization based in Dakar and Paris that seeks the establishment of a new form of government in the country in which there is equality between the Black African minority and the Arabo-Berber majority. Contains multimedia elements. In French.
- http://www.focusweb.org/ - **Focus on the Global South**
 Southeast Asia-focused anti-globalization organization based in the Thailand, the Philippines, and India. In English.
- http://www.forum-asia.org/ - **Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development**
 Asia-focused human rights organization based in Geneva, Switzerland, that strives "to empower people by advocating social justice, sustainable human

Curated Web Collections

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For example, this is an initiative of Columbia University Library's Center for Human Rights Documentation and Research, the Human Rights Web Archive is an effort to preserve and ensure access to freely available human rights resources created mainly by non-governmental organizations, national human rights institutions, and individuals.



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Another major part of what we do is scanning books. This is a picture of one of the scanning centers in San Francisco. We currently employ about 200 staff scanning books



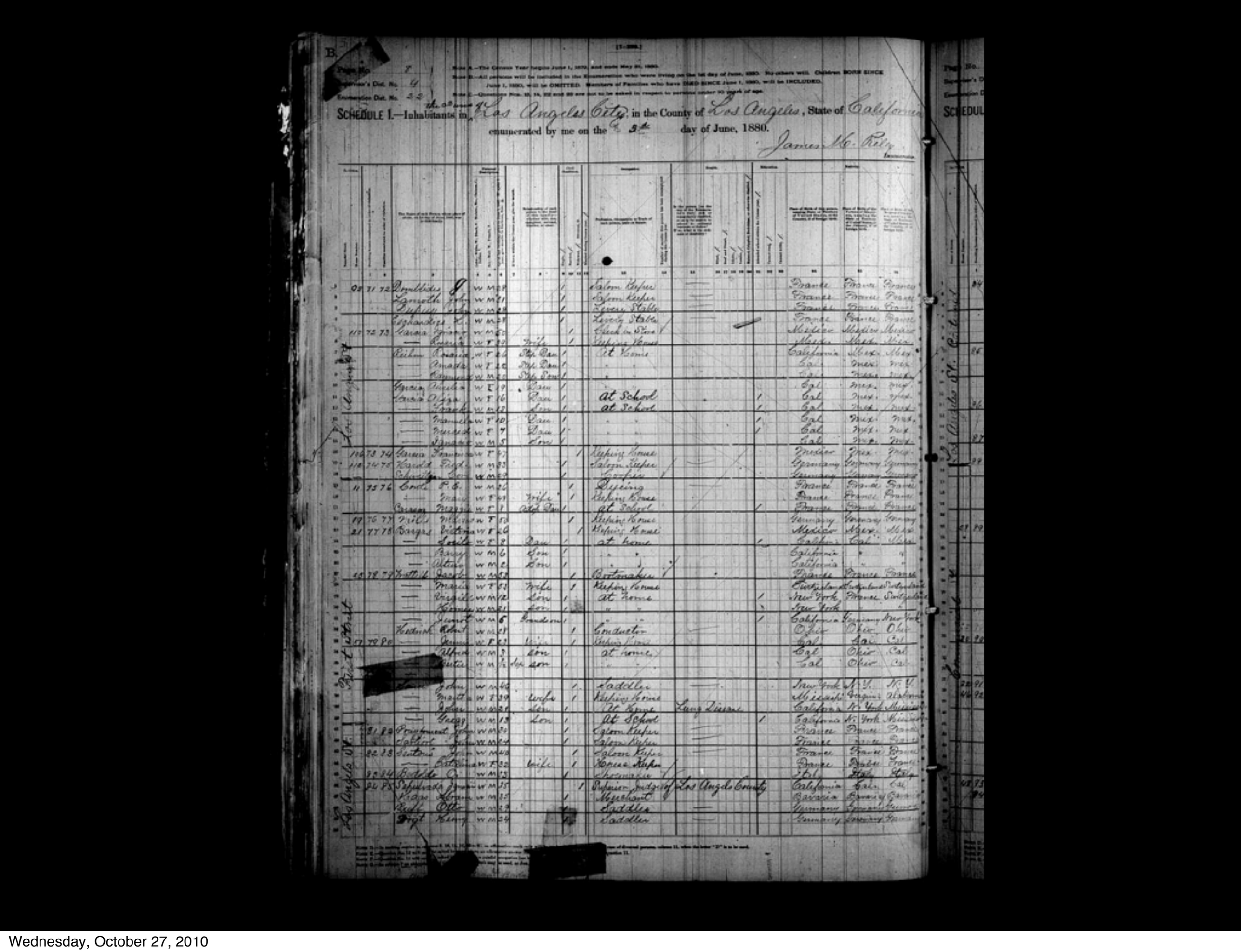
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And today, we have over million free texts available online - that includes over 1 million books

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1,000 books scanned EVERY day

24 scanning centers in 5 countries, and we hope for more.



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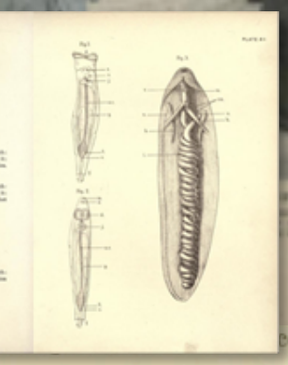
We're also scanning microfilm, which is much faster than individual books. Here's an example of the record of the population census from 1790 to 1930. Scanned from microfilm from the collections of the Allen County Public Library and originally from the United States National Archives Record Administration.

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Examples of Cross Writing from Boston Public Library



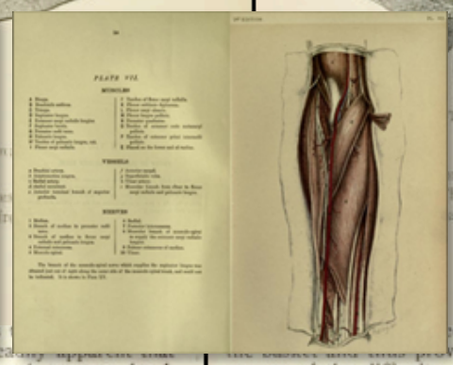














g to say, she simply bowed, and took the
looking as solemn as she could.
next thing was to eat the comfits: this
some noise and confusion, as the large
mplained that they could not taste theirs,
small ones choked and had to be patted
back. However, it was over at last, and
t down again in a ring, and begged the
o tell them something more.
promised to tell me your history, you
said Alice, "and why it is you hate—C
" she added in a whisper, half afraid that
l be offended again.
ine is a long and a sad tale!" said the
turning to Alice, and sighing.
is a long tail, certainly," said Alice,
down with wonder at the Mouse's tail;
hy do you call it sad?" And she kept on
g about it while the Mouse was speaking,

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in the
house,
'Let us
both go
to law:
I will
prosecute
you.—
Come, I'll
take no
denial;
We must
have a
trial:
For
really
this
morning
I've
nothing
to do.'
Said the
mouse to
the cur,
'Such a
trial,
dear sir,
With no
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would be
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our breath.'
'I'll be
judge,
I'll be
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said
cunning
old Fury:
'I'll try
the whole
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94 Dragon-flies and Damsel-flies

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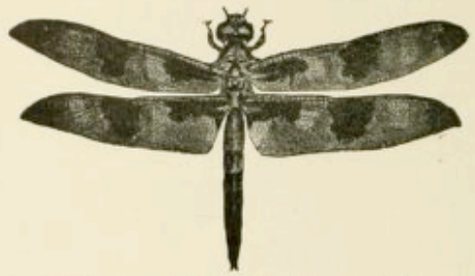


FIG. 125.—The ten-spot dragon-fly, *Libellula pulchella*. (After Needham; nat. size.)

and well-marked species of Libellula are *L. basalis*, with blackish-brown body and with the basal third to half of the wings dark brown or black and the rest of the wing clear, or in the old males chalky white out as far as the



Dragon-flies and Damsel-flies

or less yellowish at base and along the front margin, and a nodal spot, hind wings with a yellowish-black triangular b fuscous nodal spot; and *L. semi-fasciata*, whose complex wing

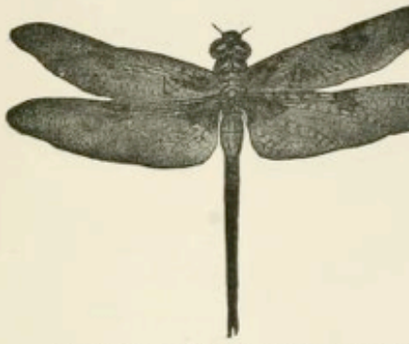


FIG. 127.—The water-prince, *Epicordulia princeps*, fema (After Needham; natural size.)

shown in Fig. 126. Tramea is a genus of large swift drag hind wings have the base expanded and conspicuously col *lacerata* is a familiar species. The water-prince, *Epicordulia*

the constant heating of the clay lining would cause it to grow hard, and instances would occur when it would become detached from the wicker work and a perfect earthen roasting vessel be produced. The occasional production of such a vessel, suitable in all ways and for all uses in cookery, would suggest the manufacture of similar serviceable utensils.

Professor Holmes says: "The clay vessel is an intruder, and usurps the place and appropriates the dress of its predecessor in wicker. The forms illustrated in Figs. 8 and 9 are clay forms, common with South Western Indians, and are undoubtedly taken from basketry shapes as illustrated in the water bottles and carrying baskets, shown elsewhere."



FIG. 8. FIG. 9. FIG. 10.

That basketry was intimately connected with two distinct methods of pottery-making is proven by the clearest evidence. In the Mississippi Valley, in Arizona, New Mexico and elsewhere in the United States thousands of pieces of pottery have been found which unmistakably show that the soft clay was modelled around the outside or within some basket form which gave the shape of the vessel. In all the museums these specimens of pottery may be found. It will be observed in studying them that they bear far more impressions of basketry and other textile arts than of natural objects, such as gourds, shells, etc. It is also observable that every basketry stitch or pattern known to the aborigines is found in these pottery impressions. Hence the natural inferences that basketry antedates pottery, and that the art of basket-making was in an advanced stage whilst pottery was still in its infancy.

How fascinating the work of the antiquarian and archaeologist. To pick up even the fragments of the pottery of a long past age, brush off the accumulated dirt and read thereupon the relation its manu-



FIG. 11. BASKET BASE MOLD FOR COILED POTTERY.



FIG. 12. FIRST FORM THE VESSEL.

The other primitive method followed was one that is still pra by all the pottery makers of the South-west. It is an imitat basketry methods; not a moulding upon baskets, but an appli of coiled methods of weaving to the manufacture of pottery. J the basket weaver wraps one coil upon another, so does the p maker take her rope of clay and coil it up as shown in Fig. 11.

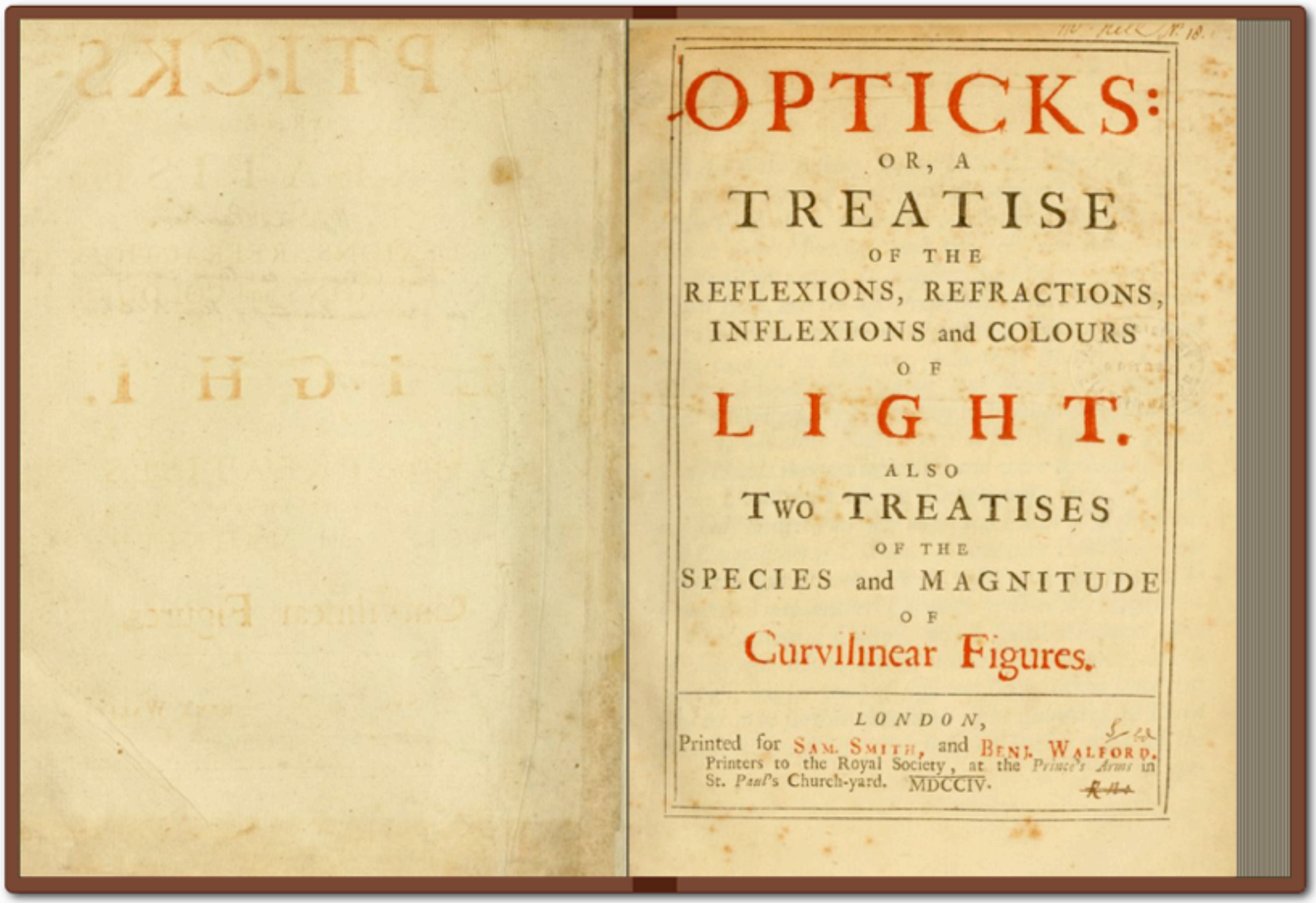
By and by the desire for ornamentation of pottery arose, and this sprang the discovery of the fact that, while the clay was p the exterior of the vessel could be smoothed with a spatula o or gourd, no matter what its size, if supported at the botton basket or other mold so that it could be shifted or turned about w direct handling. See Fig. 7.

To smooth such a vessel inside and out required that it have mouth, but, by and by, the potter determined that the mouth be contracted as much water was spilled in carrying the full olla the spring or river to the house. She still used the basket as for her pottery as shown in Fig. 12, and to this desire for a mouthed olla Cushing claims we owe the beautiful shape of F

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Over 1 million free books that you can read on archive.org today, and access through the Open Library site, by checking the little “Only eBooks” box as you search.

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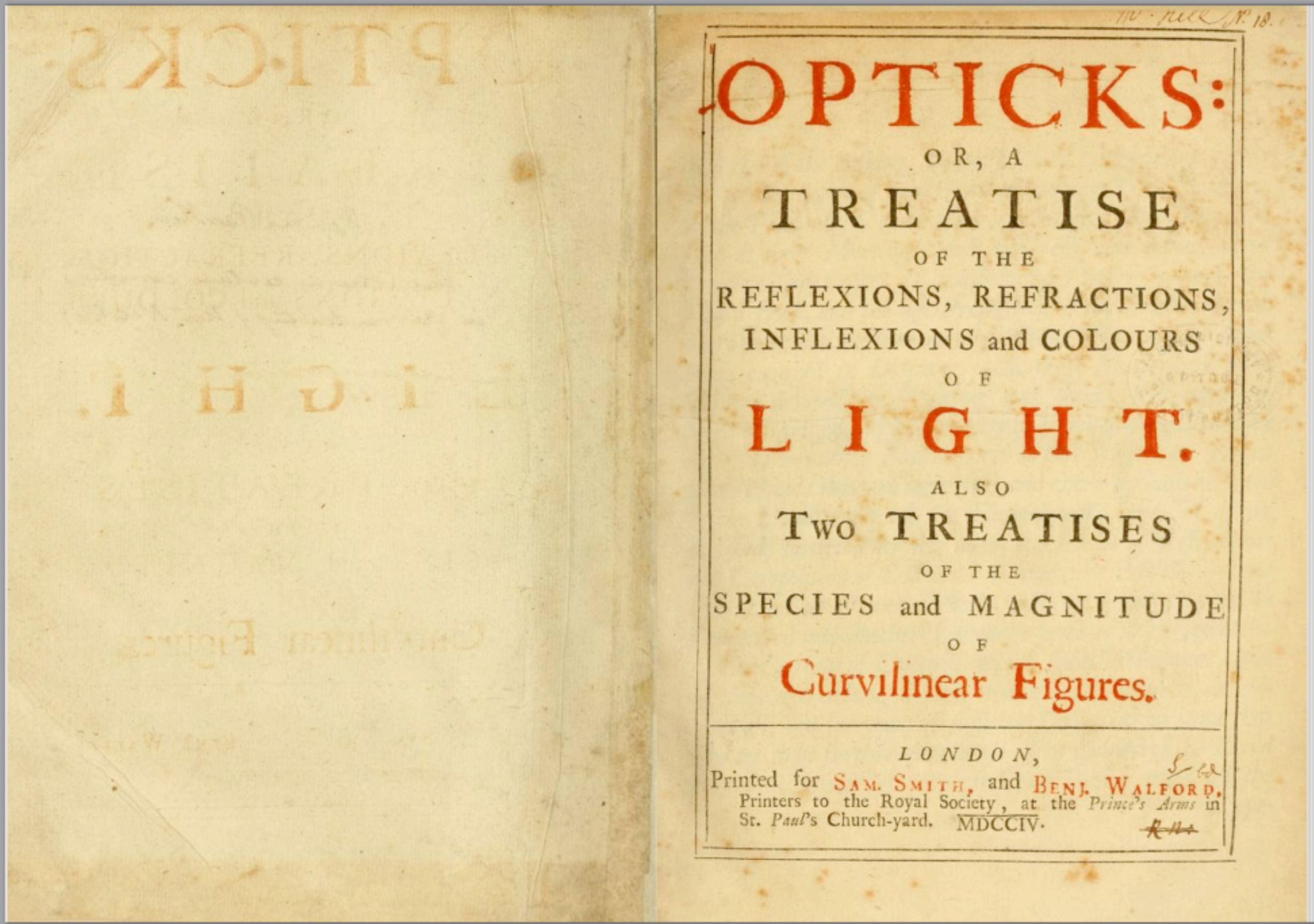
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As well as being able to download these books in a variety of different formats, from PDF to TXT and more, we also have a web-based book reader, which you can use to read our scanned texts within your web browser, without the need for any additional software.

I've actually come to Wellington direct from a meeting in San Francisco called Books in Browser, held at the Internet Archive last week. It was there that we announced an upcoming new release of our bookreader, which will hopefully go live in the next few weeks... Here are some screenshots...



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The main reason we wanted to improve on the current design was to try to build an “app-level quality” book reading experience right in the browser. This included several improvement for touch interfaces in browsers on devices like the iPad.

From a straightforward design perspective, there were also improvements to be made on usability and simple stuff like making the book bigger in the browser window.

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This is a screenshot with the toolbar open, where you can see new features like a navigation bar at the bottom that allows you to scroll through the book, a “read to me” feature which plays the book in a computer-y voice, and highlights what’s being read. Also, if we know a table of contents for the book, each chapter is mapped along the navigation bar.

We’ve also rewritten the full text search engine, and I’ll talk more about that a bit later.



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Apologies for the slightly blurry picture, but this is my boss, Brewster Kahle, who founded the Internet Archive back in 1996. He's playing with a touchscreen which is displaying the new bookreader. The screen's been installed in one of the reading desks that used to sit in the reading room of the Christian Science church before it became our new home. A big part of the bookreader redesign was to evolve an app-level quality book reading experience within a web browser. If you have an iPad, I'd encourage you to try it!

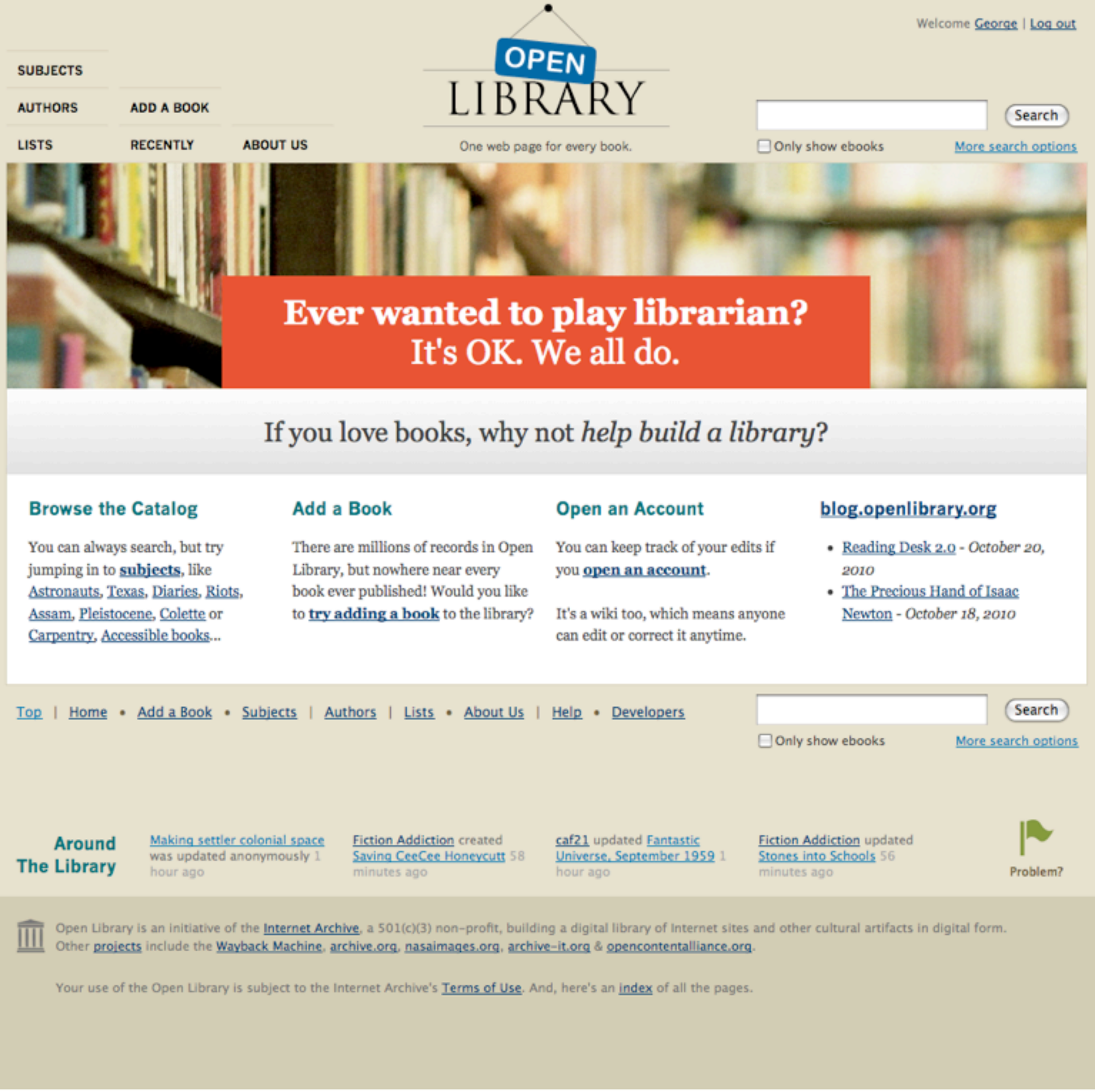
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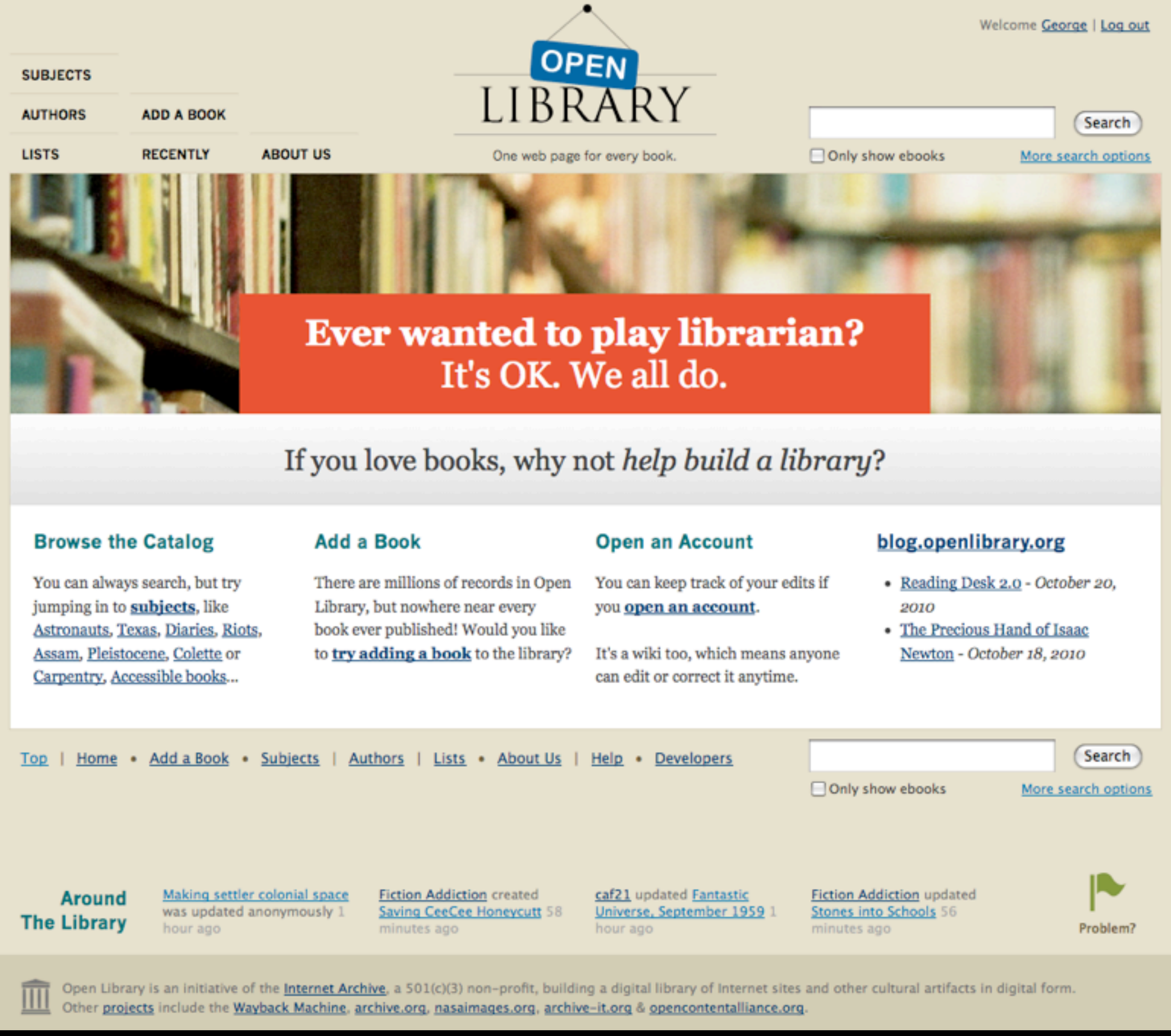
Before I move on to talking about Open Library, I wanted to show you something specific that the scanning co-ordinator in Boston drew my attention to - it's Isaac Newton's OWN COPY of his book, Opticks. It has Newton's own handwriting and annotations in the scan... SO COOL.

And now, I want to shift gears into talking about Open Library, designing a web-based catalog, and direct Koha peeps here towards resources that we have which you might be interested in...



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And now, to Open Library.



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So, what is this thing? A whirlwind tour!



A "Wikipedia for Books"

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There are a few different ways to describe what it is, but I think the explanation that makes the most sense is "a Wikipedia for Books".

A wiki is a website that allows the easy creation and editing of any number of interlinked web pages via a web browser using a simplified markup language or a WYSIWYG text editor.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wiki

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Here's the Wikipedia definition of a Wiki...

Open Library is a website that allows the easy creation and editing of any number of interlinked catalog records via a web browser using a simplified markup language or a WYSIWYG text editor.

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And a slight tweak specific to Open Library.

One web page for every book ever published.

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Our goal is to have one web page for every book ever published. So, at its heart, Open Library is an open, editable bibliographic data repository.

Data In

Activity

Data Out

I find it useful to hang discussions of Open Library on to 3 main concepts...

Data In

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Getting new records...

The project began by collecting bibliographic records from libraries around the world like the Library of Congress, the Internet Archive, Cambridge University and many more. So far, we have about 25 million edition records, millions of authors, millions of book covers, millions of subjects.



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This is ImportBot. He gets new catalog records from the Library of Congress and puts them into Open Library every Tuesday. We also import records from Amazon, and from the Internet Archive. ImportBot looks for recently scanned books, and creates new records (or merges them with existing ones) just a few minutes after the record is created on the Internet Archive.

Recent Activity

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You can see ImportBot working away, just like you can see the Wiki's edit history for every person who edits something.



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Individuals can also add new books with a few details like Title, Author, Publisher and Publish Date. That's enough for a stub, and then people are invited to add more details.

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This is a screenshot of books added - which is available as a filter on the Recent Changes page. You can see we average about 10-20 books per hour, added by indivduals around the world.

Designing a library catalog

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I am not a librarian. I was on the original team which built flickr.com, that photosharing website. It's a messy chaotic place from which order emerges organically. I wanted to see if some of the things I learned there could be applied to a library catalog, and riffing of David's talk on Monday, "Library Data for Fun and Profit, there was no denying that the Open Library catalog is BIG DATA, but like so many other library catalog, its treasures are often obscured.

“Library metadata is diabolically rational.”

Karen Coyle

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I’ve enjoyed collaborating with Karen Coyle, advisor to the Open Library, and self-described metadata czar of the project. She’s been profoundly useful helping the team navigate all the data we have, and answering our silly questions.

I was struck by her description of the data we’re dealing with.



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Du har inga motiv i varukorgen.

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Fritextsökning

I fritextsökning matar man in ett eller flera ord och sökningen plockar fram alla bilder som matchar dessa ord (ungefär som vid Google-sökning).

Objektsökning

I objektsökning bläddrar man mellan bilder utifrån deras namn.

Avancerad sökning

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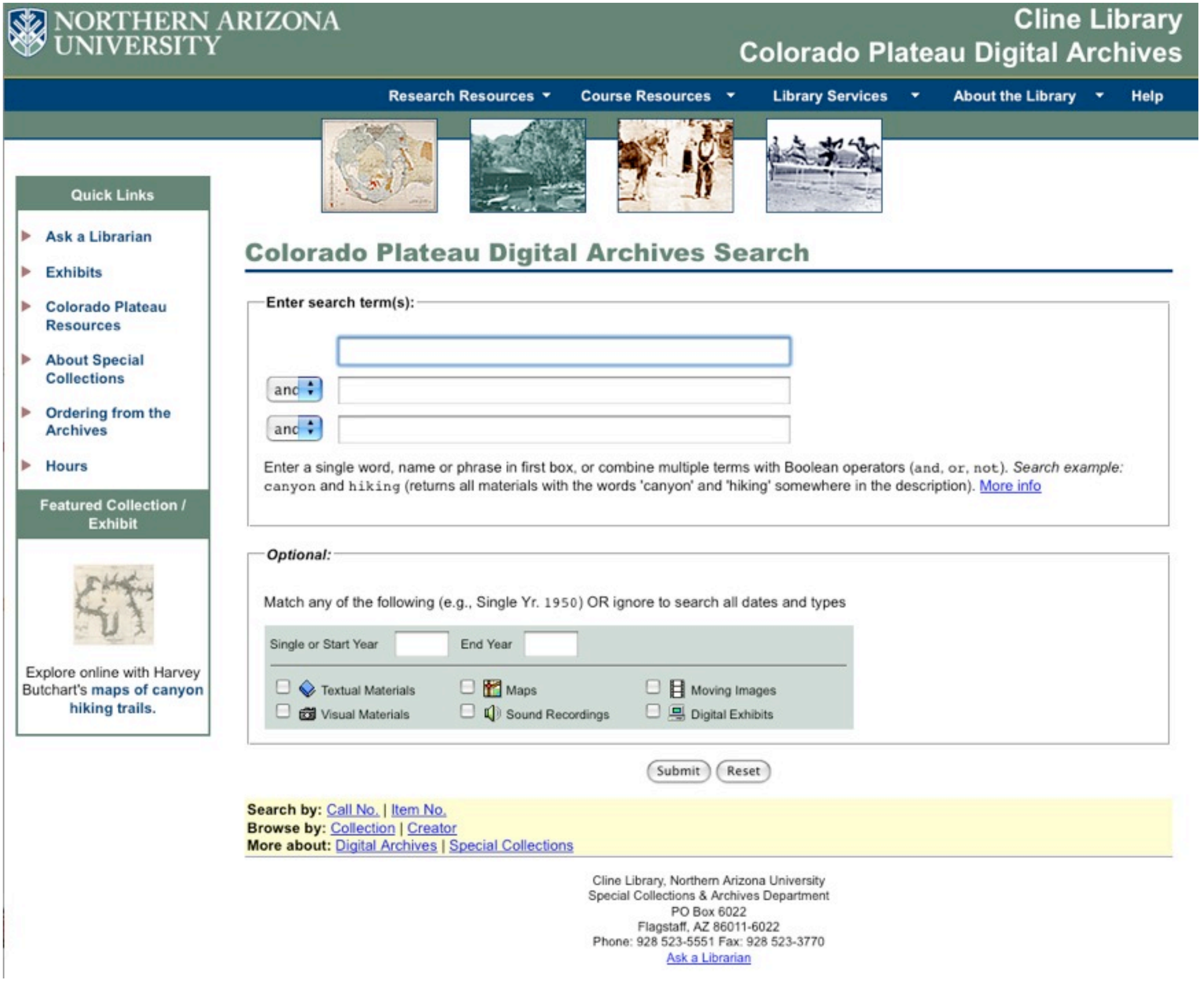
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I also noticed that loads of library websites start with a search box. The visitor is expected to know what they're looking for, and there's no way to browse around.



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- There's a presumption of knowledge, not encouragement of exploration
- How do I know what to search for if I don't know what you've got?

- How do I wander the stacks?



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I was very pleased to discover the writings of a chap called Alberto Manguel. His thinking on libraries has been deeply influential.

“Books, even after they have been given a shelf and a number, retain a mobility of their own. Left to their own devices, they assemble in unexpected formations; they follow secret rules of similarity, unchronicled genealogies, common interests and themes.”

Alberto Manguel, The Library at Night
Page 163, “The Library as Chance”

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So, in the context of diabolical rationality, this excerpt seems appropriate to exposing the depths of the catalog.

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Here are some other interesting examples...

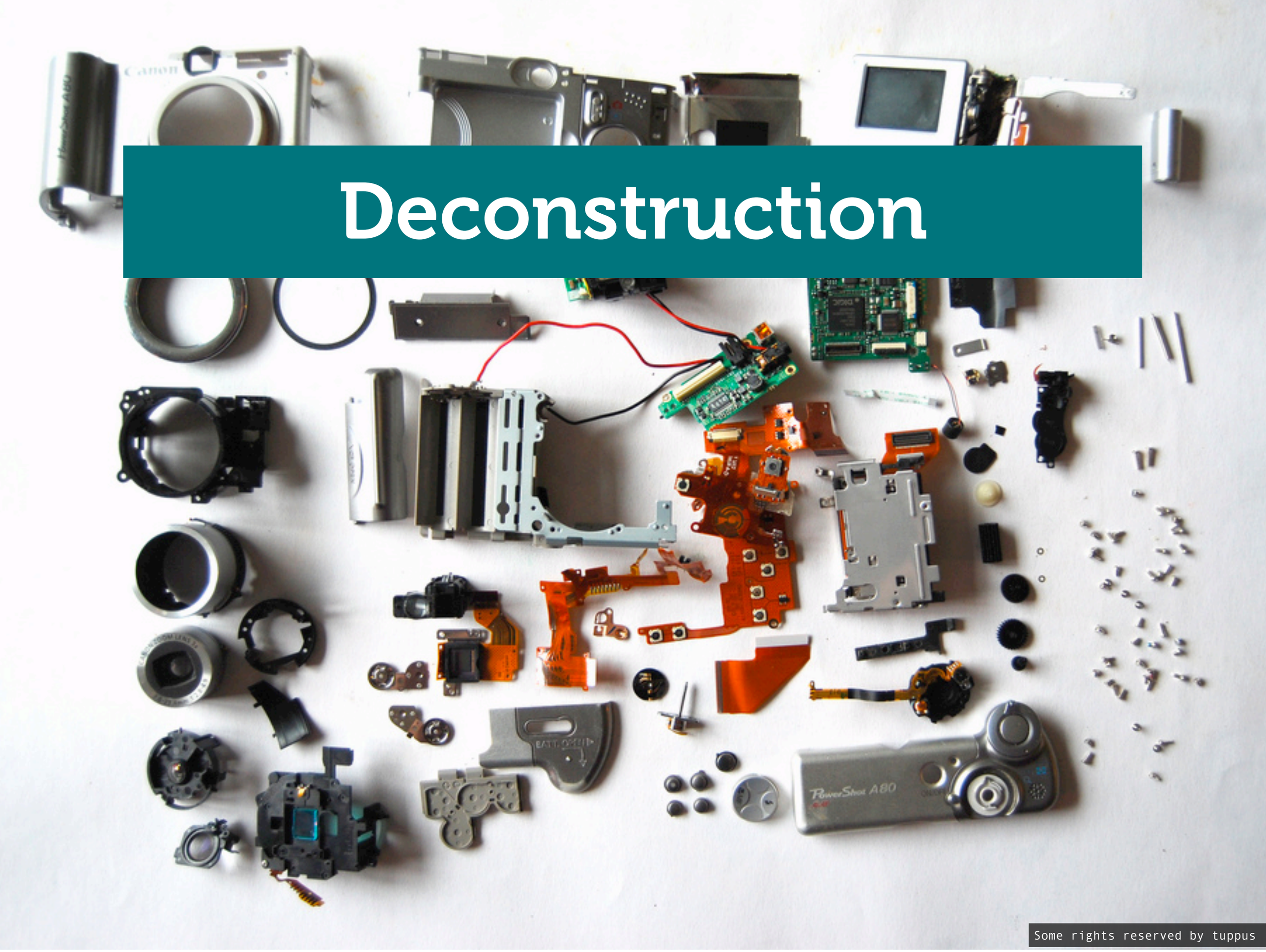


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How do you see the shape of a catalog? How can you see its boundaries and edges? How can you move through it differently than search and retrieve?

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Deconstruction



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So, as David talked about on Monday, what treasures lie in wait within this diabolical scheme of description that are waiting to be uncovered? What happens if you blow it up?

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Here is a MARC record. Full of data!

Let's see what happens when you explode Library of Congress Subject Headings. This data isn't even in Open Library - we borrowed it from loc.gov then pulled out the dynamite...

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650 field - subjects

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Zoom in

Teenage boys Fiction
Brothers and sisters Fiction
Preparatory schools Fiction
Alienation in teenagers Fiction
Teenage boys Interpersonal relations Fiction
Emotionally disturbed teenage boys Fiction

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Strip out the MaRC gumpf

Teenage boys, Fiction, Brothers and sisters, Preparatory schools, Alienation in teenagers, Interpersonal relations, Emotionally disturbed teenage boys

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Remove dupes, make it a human readable list

Teenage boys, Fiction, Brothers and sisters, Preparatory schools, Alienation in teenagers, Interpersonal relations, Emotionally disturbed teenage boys

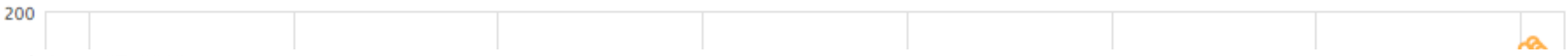
Then put a page behind all of them...

Brothers and sisters 2,664 books published between 1640–2011



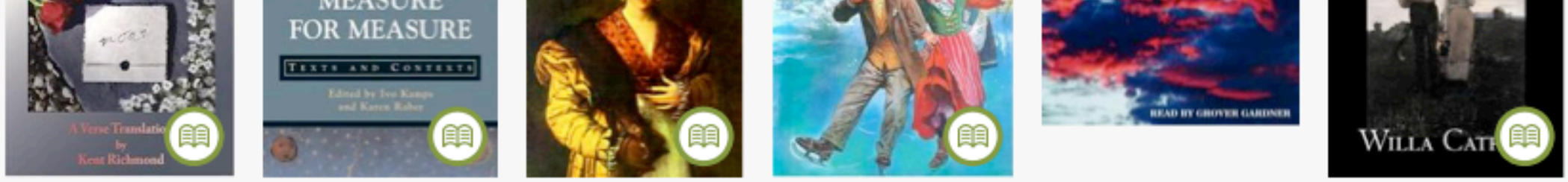
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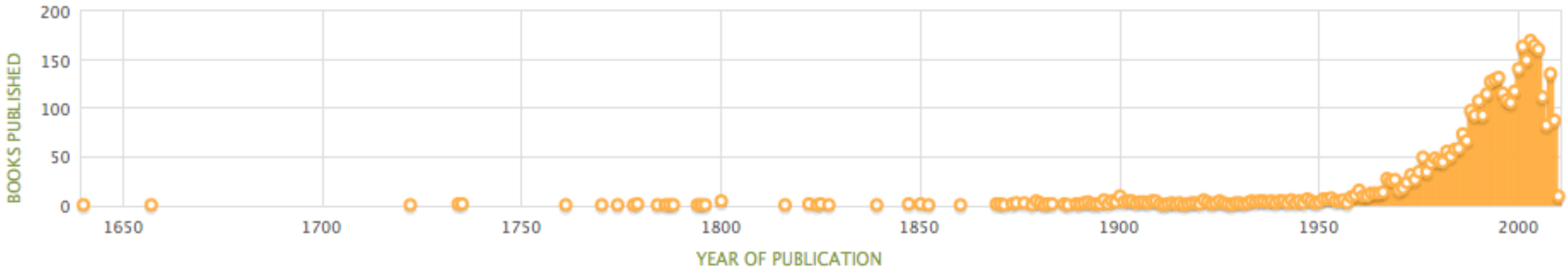
Looking at the subject page, you can see the Works with the most editions in the top panel, with a handy indicator to tell you if you can read an electronic version....





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PLACES
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PEOPLE
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If I scroll down...we've collated all the publish dates of all the editions with that subject



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And, we can also display subjects that are used most often in conjunction with “Brothers and Sisters”, as well as the authors who write most about them, and publishers who publish books about them

J. D. Salinger

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We can also collect subjects together at the author level. Here you can see what sorts of subjects Salinger writes about, each of which links to its page...

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PLACES
New York (N.Y.), Estados Unidos, United States

TIME
20th century, Siglo XX

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Subjects related to J. D. Salinger – note that we've retained the Place/Person/Time categories.

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PLACES

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Incidentally, my colleague Lance Arthur popped in and updated the Salinger record with a note of his death.

Civil War, 1861-1865 **13,112 books** published between 1782–2056

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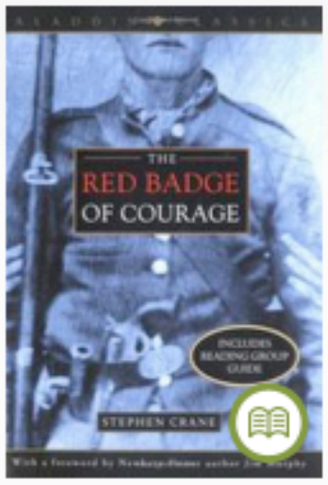
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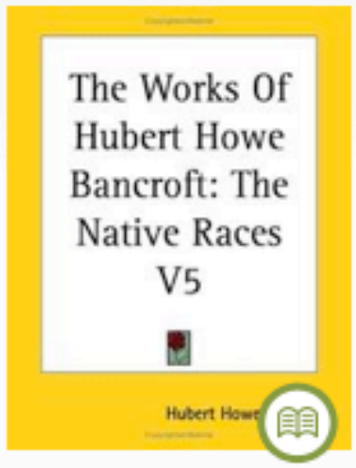
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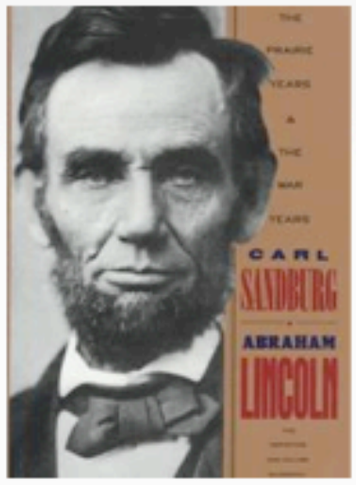
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Leaves of grass
Walt Whitman

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United States. General Accounting Office...

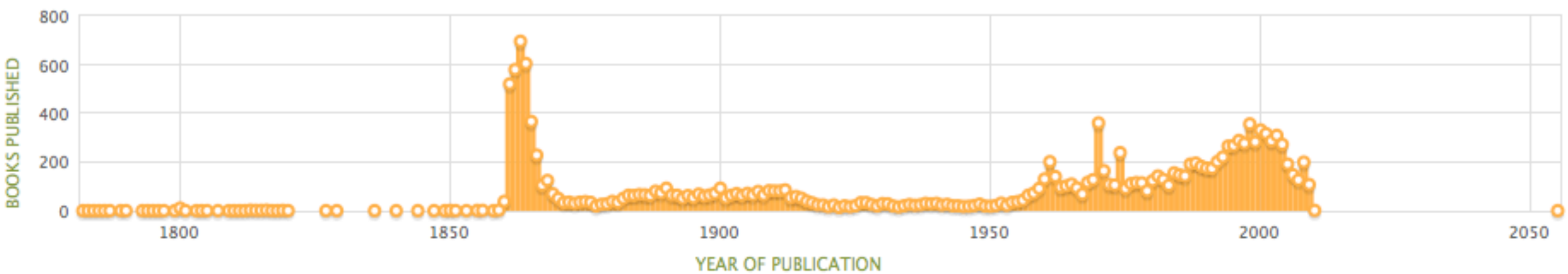






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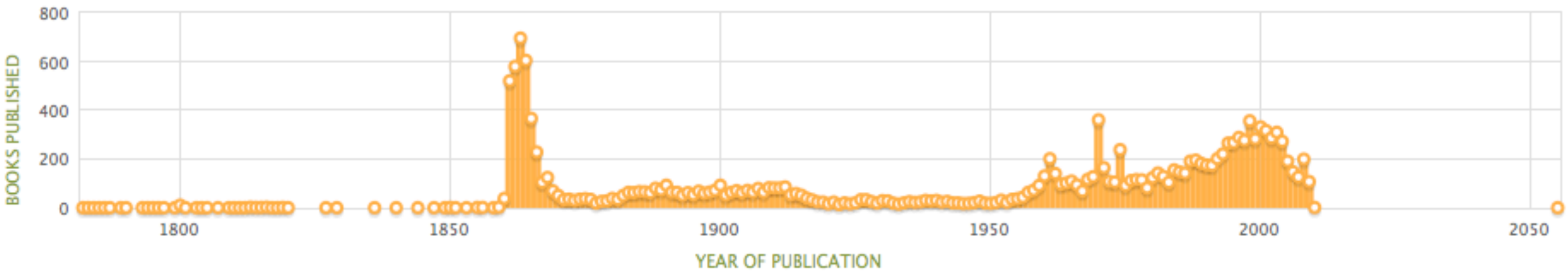


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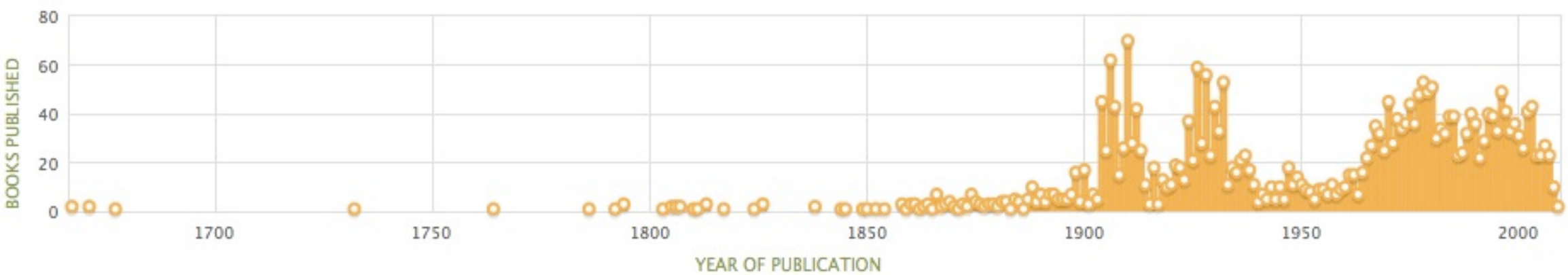
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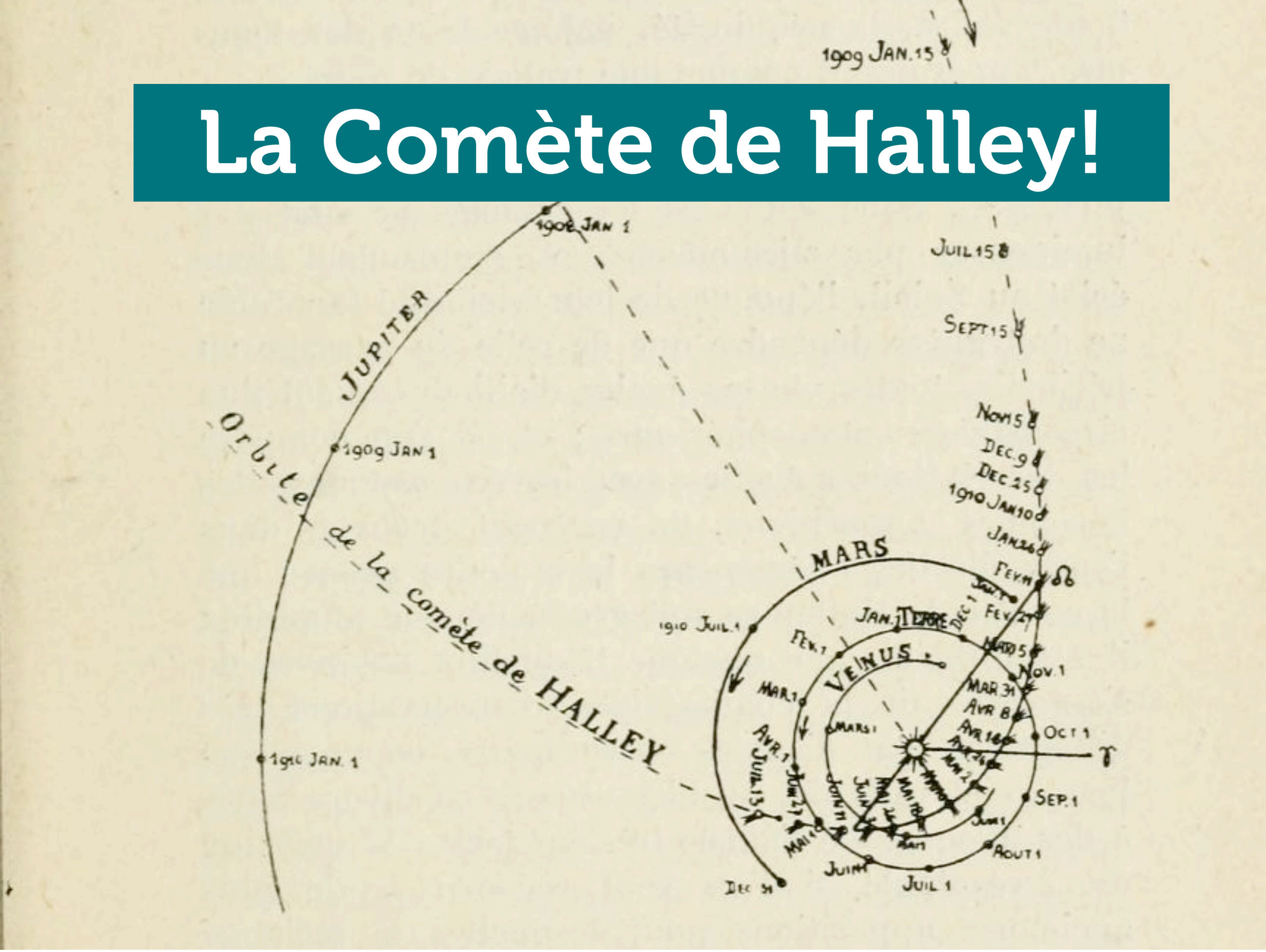


1759 **1835** **1910** **1986**

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Any guesses as to this subject?

La Comète de Halley!



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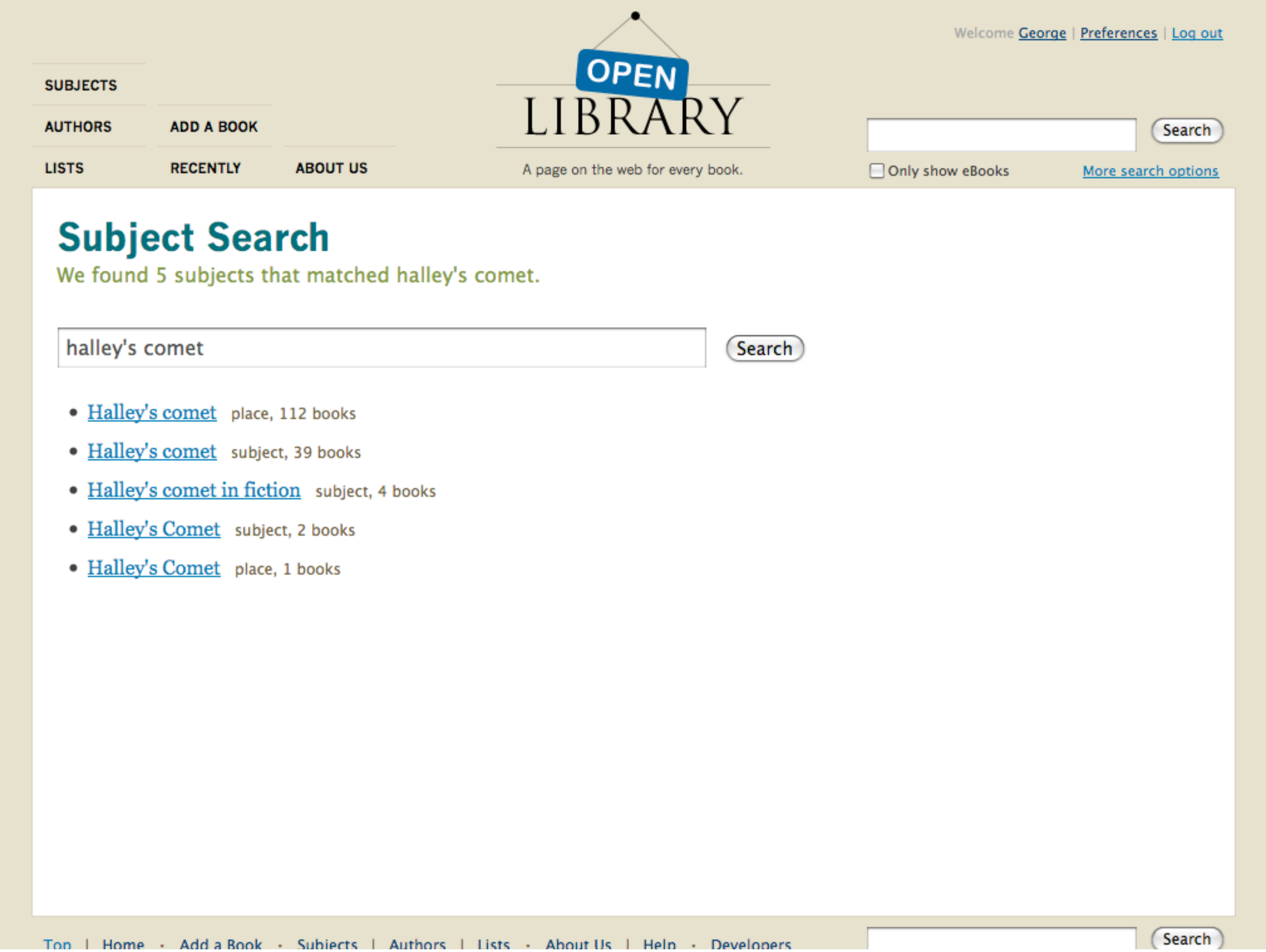
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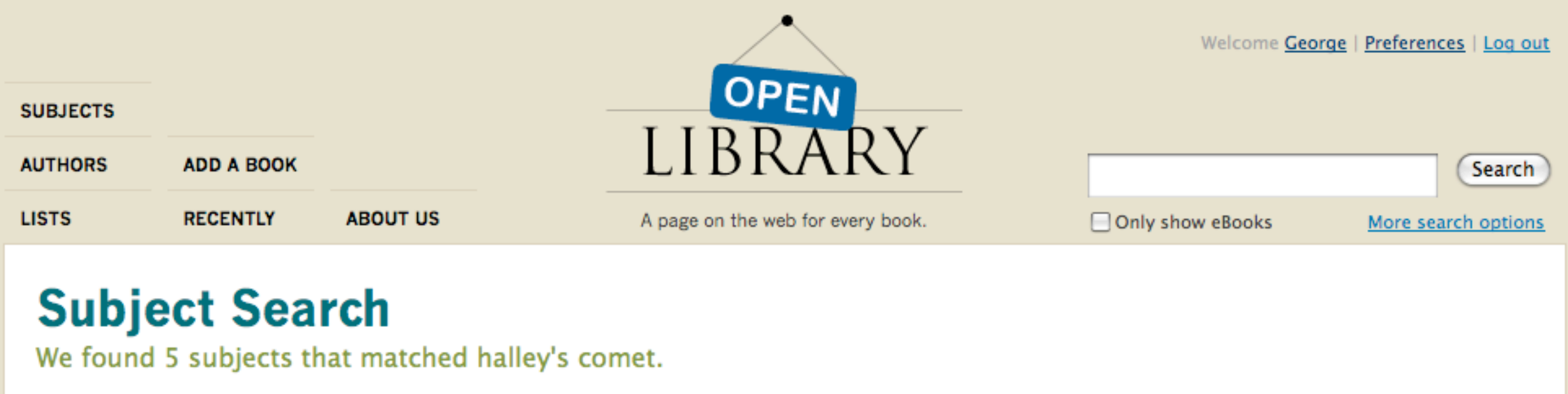
Every 75 or 76 years, people write about it again :)



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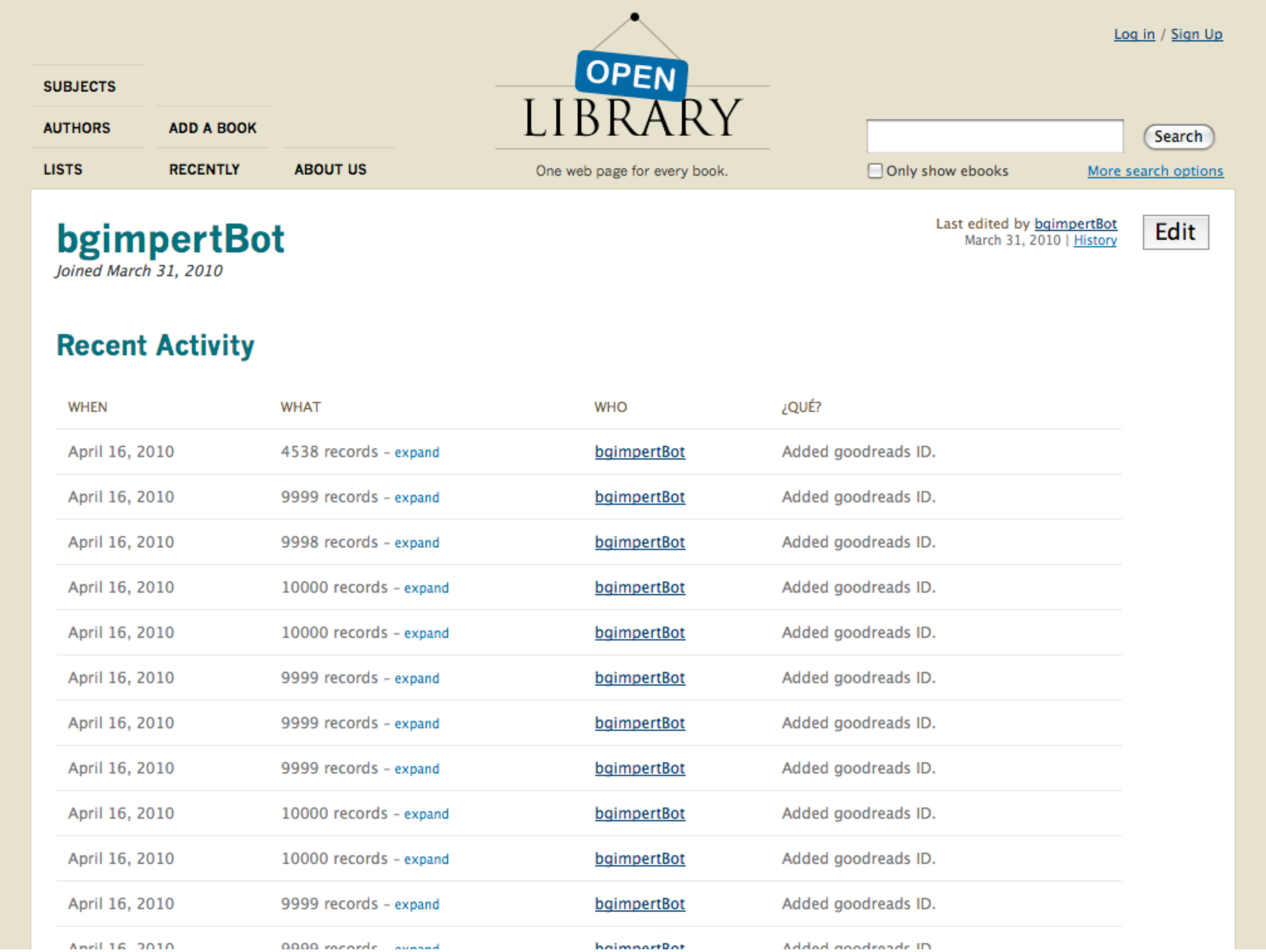
It's been great fun exposing this data in new ways, and uncovering all its indiosyncrasies... Like, tiny variations in data entry.

I mean, is Halley's Comet really a PLACE?



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Wondering about whether or not you could actually stand on the surface of Halley's Comet... Is that a helpful classification of a place?



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Another quick note on data in before I move on...

We've been experimenting with a couple of other "surgical" bots, that look across the catalog and connect edition records directly to other services by stamping identifiers from other systems into Open Library. This is a bot written by a developer called Ben Gimpert, that takes a file mapping ISBN to Goodreads IDs, and looks for ISBN matches in OL, then adding the Goodreads ID to those records. This allows us to construct links to Goodreads, and to make the Goodreads ID available through the API.

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Sioux City railroads
Rudolph L. Daniels

Add Cover Image

Sioux City railroads
Rudolph Daniels.

Published **2008** by Arcadia in Charleston, SC.
Written in English.

Edition Notes
Includes bibliographical references (p. 127).

Series	Images of rail
Genre	Pictorial works

Classifications

Library of Congress	HE2781.S56 D36 2008

The Physical Object

Pagination	127 p. :
Number of pages	127

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You can see we've added a little widget on the page that connects to Goodreads, if you have an account, you can add our records to your lists on Goodreads. There's also a LibraryThing ID too, added by a similar batch bot update.

Writing bots to do things like this is the sort of development we'd like to open up to external developers too...

Activity

OK. So, we have all this data... Now what?



Substrate:

any surface on which a plant or animal lives or on which a material sticks

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We have a repository that mostly contains records created by professionals. I find it useful to consider these records as a substrate, something that can be reacted upon.



What if we consider the source Open Library records like that?

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Now that we've begun to reveal this substrate, how will people react to it? What reactions has it caused so far?



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So... Open Library is a virtual space. Its organization isn't constrained like a physical catalog. In fact, the more connections you can make into one of our "virtual index cards" the more ways people have to discover and navigate its contents.

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San Francisco Main Library, wallpaper made out of old card catalog files
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What if a catalog looks like this? Is crystalline? What if it is unconstrained by the need to sort, say, alphabetically?

From the artist of this image, Jared Tarbell: “Lines like crystals form at perpendicular angles to existing lines. A complex form emerges.
1000 classic computational substrate, color palette stolen from Jackson Pollock: A simple perpendicular growth rule creates intricate city-like structures. The simple rule, the complex results, the enormous potential for modification; this has got to be one of my all time favorite self-discovered algorithms. Lines likes crystals grow on a computational substrate.”

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3) Every book its reader.
4) Save the time of the User.
5) The library is a growing organism.

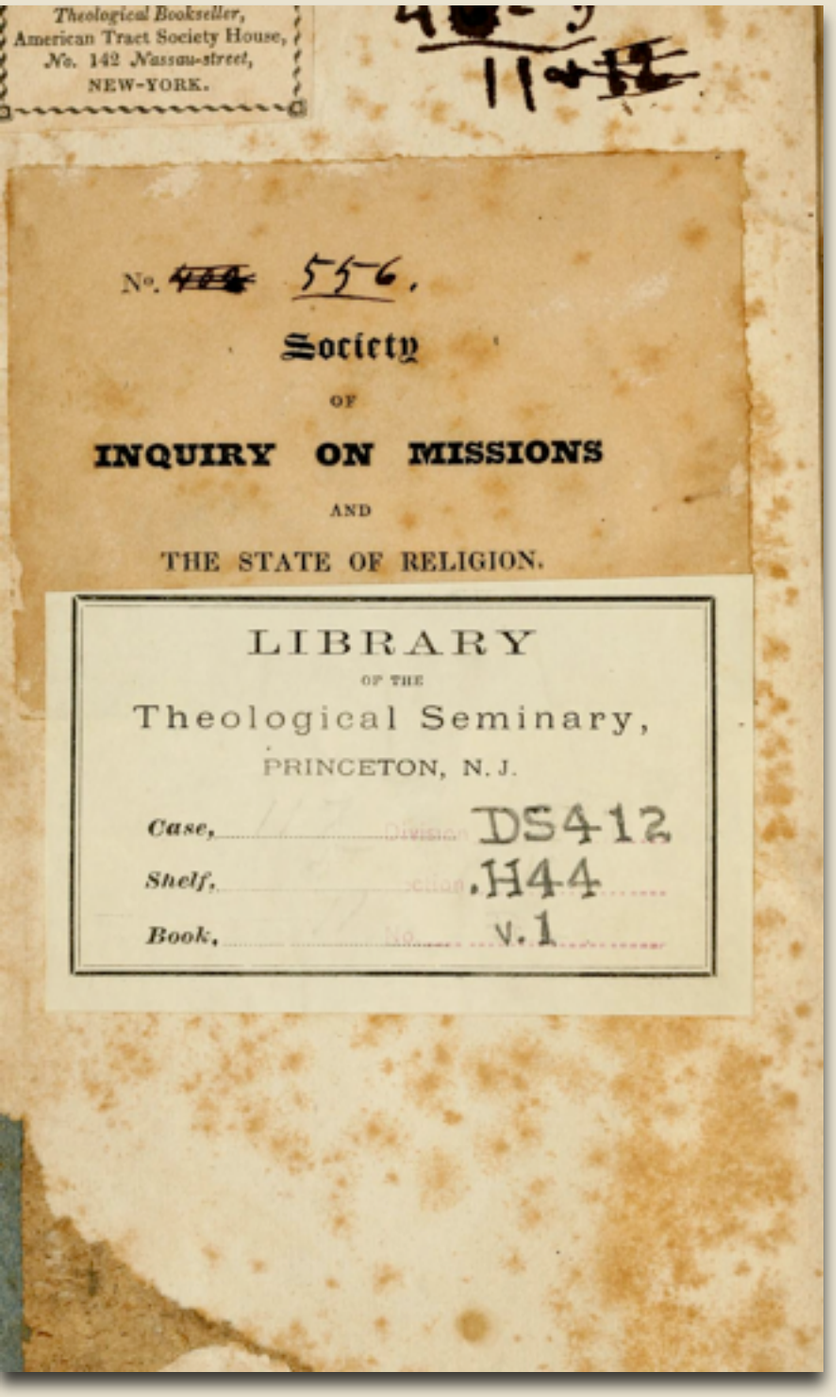
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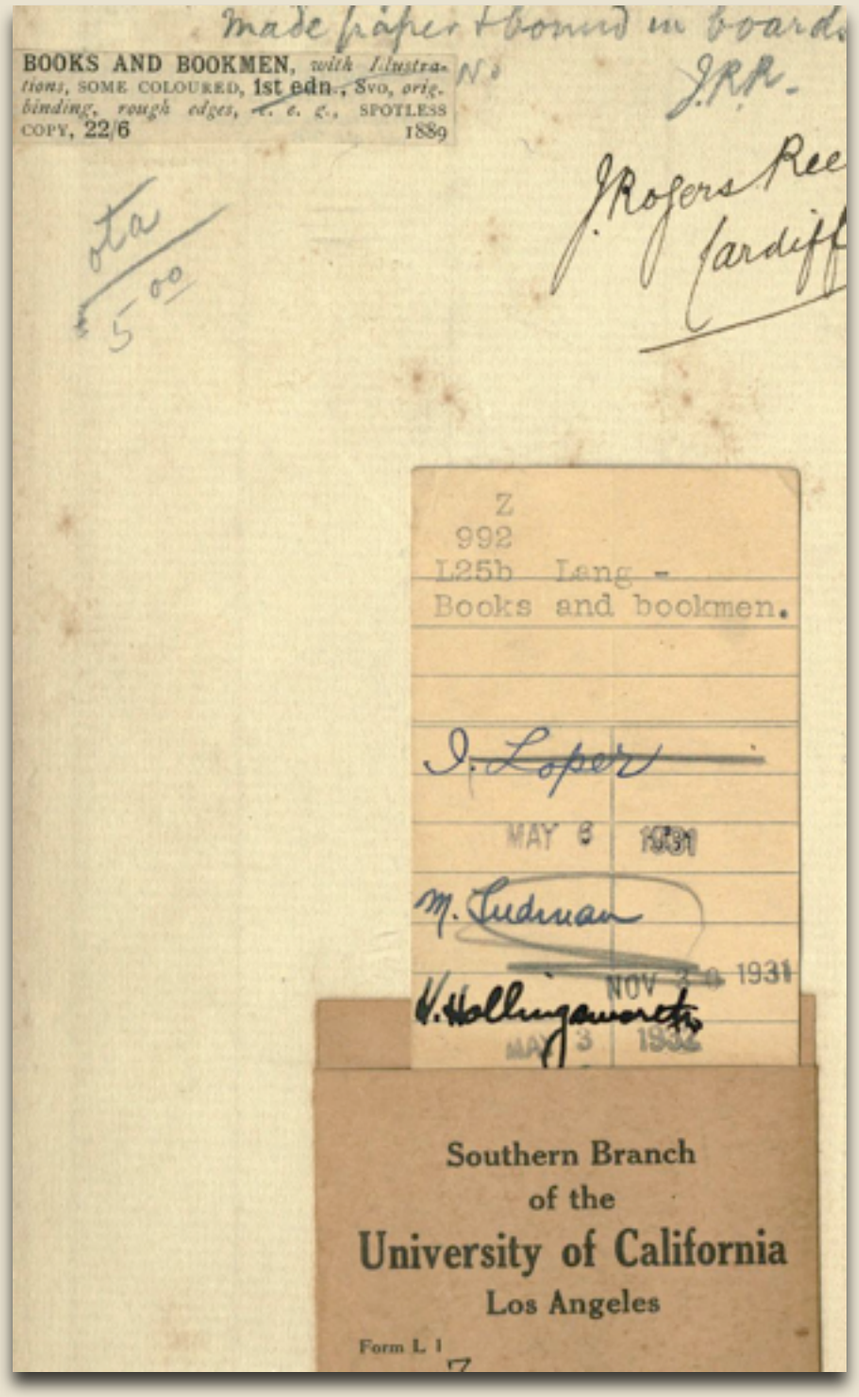
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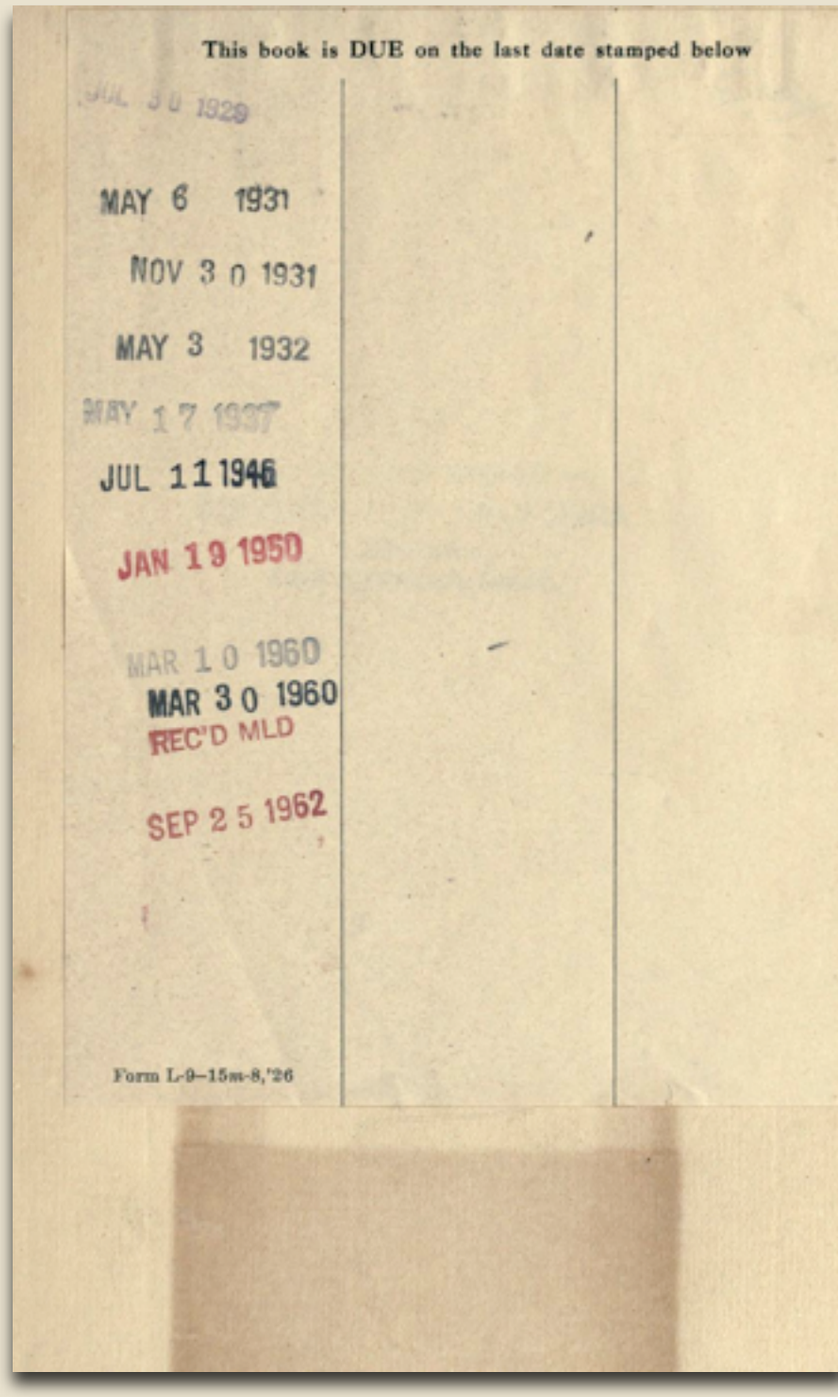
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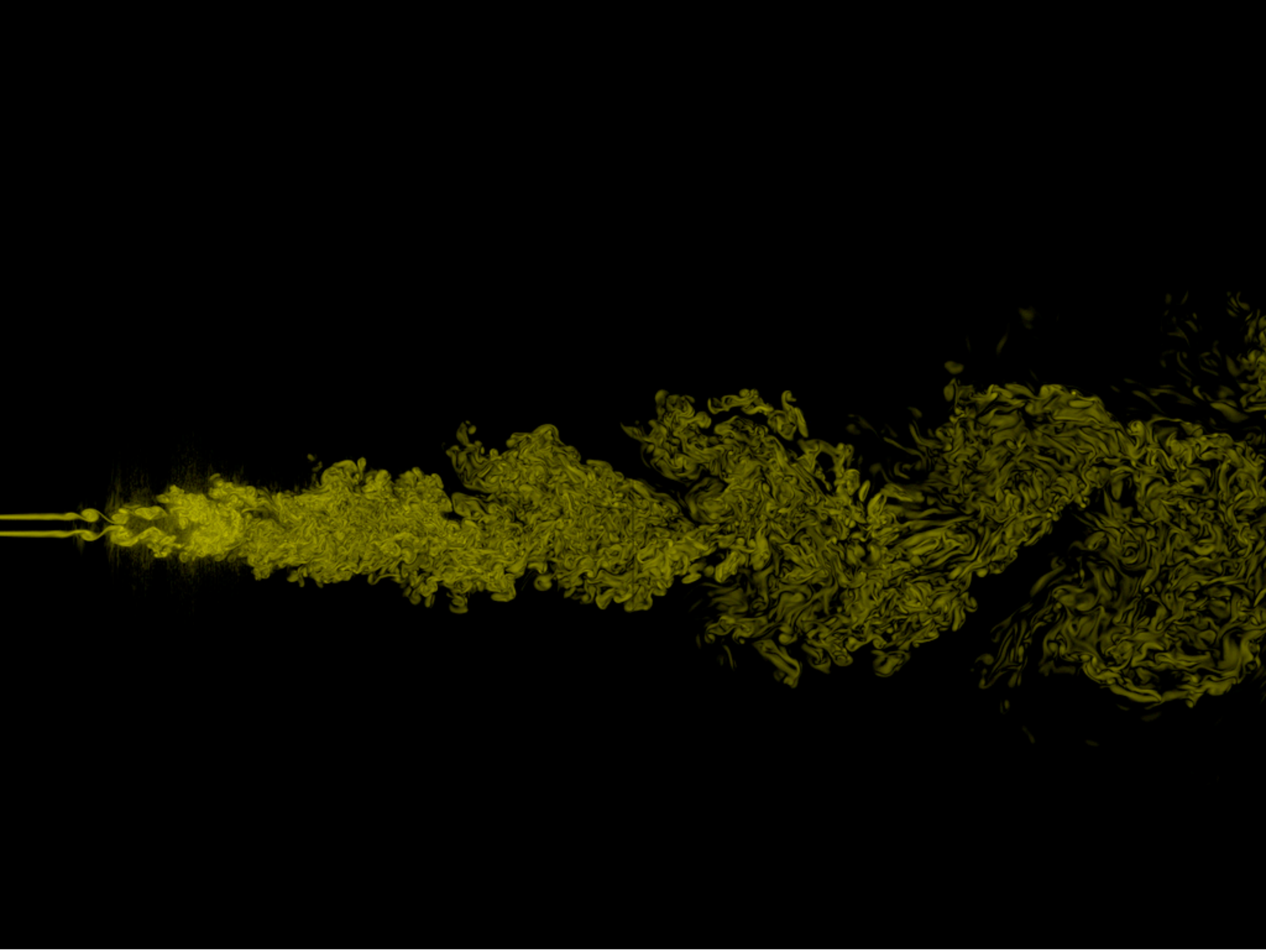

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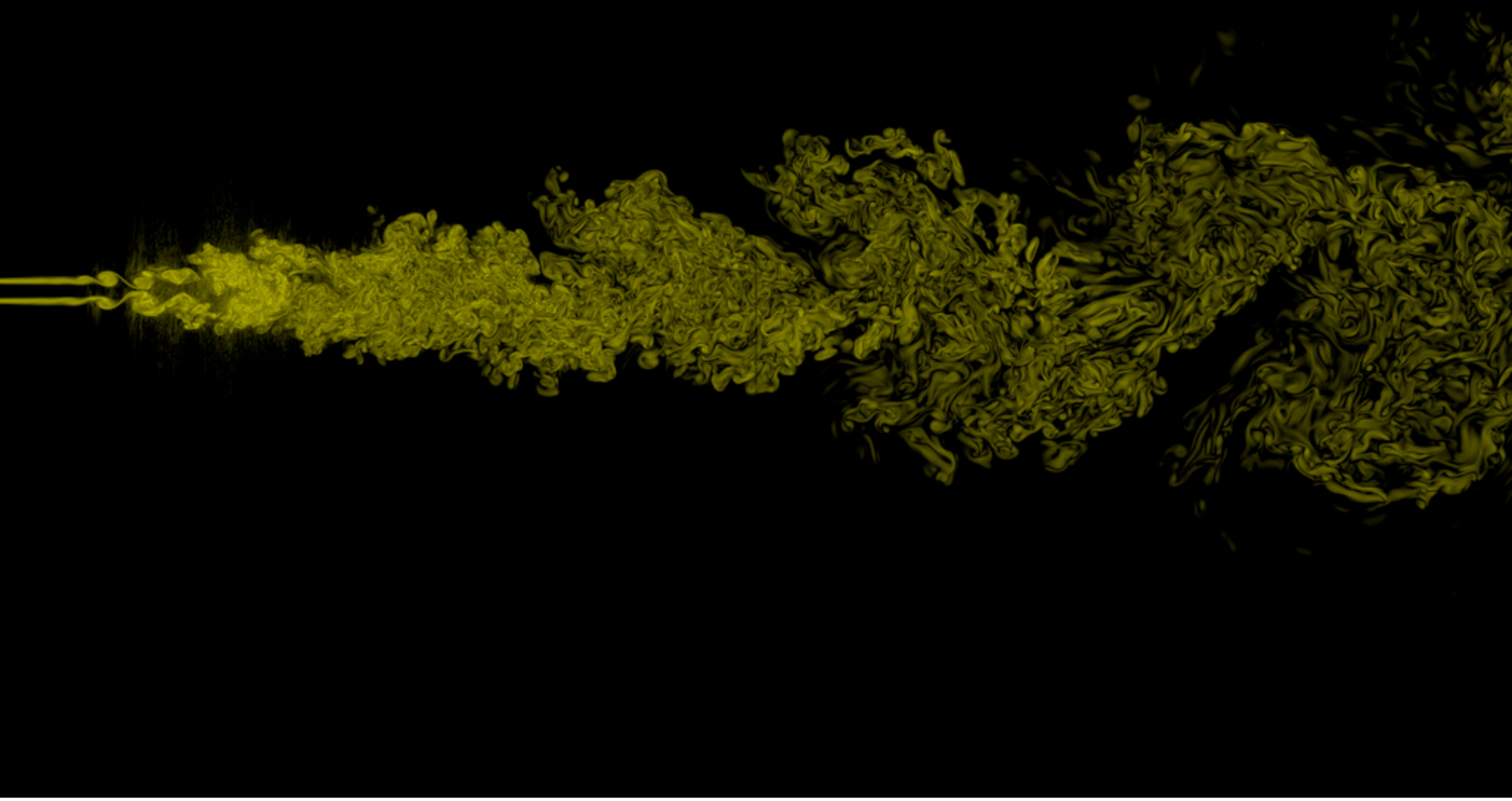


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What happens when you introduce turbulence into the catalog? Here are a few examples of the sorts of edits we're seeing... at a rate of about 100,000 edits per month.

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if you don't stimulate an organism, it atrophies

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Edits

Now, I’m going to fly through the sorts of reactions I’ve noticed...

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Johann Sebastian Bach was updated anonymously 39 minutes ago

Fiction Addiction updated Veil of midnight 12 minutes ago

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It’s been a thrill to see new non-English records coming in...

1 edition of 本気で書きたい人の　小説「超」入門 by 松島義一（まつしま　ぎいち）
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本気で書きたい人の　小説「超」入門

Published 2005 1 29 by たなか　みよし in 埼玉県さいたま市浦和区.

About the Book

本気で小説を書きたい人のために。
さらに力を発揮しようとしている人のために。

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8　実践　　覚悟はいいですか！
9　激励　　もっと書きたい人よ
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About the Book

Η συλλογή μικρών ιστοριών "Εβδόμη εσπερινή" του Γιάννη Φαρσάρη διανέμεται ελεύθερα στο Διαδίκτυο σε μορφή ψηφιακού βιβλίου στη σελίδα http://www.openbook.gr/2010/10/ebdomh-esperinh-mikres-istories.html

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Διηγήματα, ebooks, free ebooks



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Εβδόμη εσπερινή

Μικρές ιστορίες

Published **2010** by Openbook in Ελλάδα.
Written in Greek.

About the Book

Οι ιστορίες της συλλογής έχουν δημοσιευθεί στα περιοδικά “Day Off”, “Candia” και “Π” της εφημερίδας «Πατρίς» κατά τη χρονική περίοδο 2001-2005.

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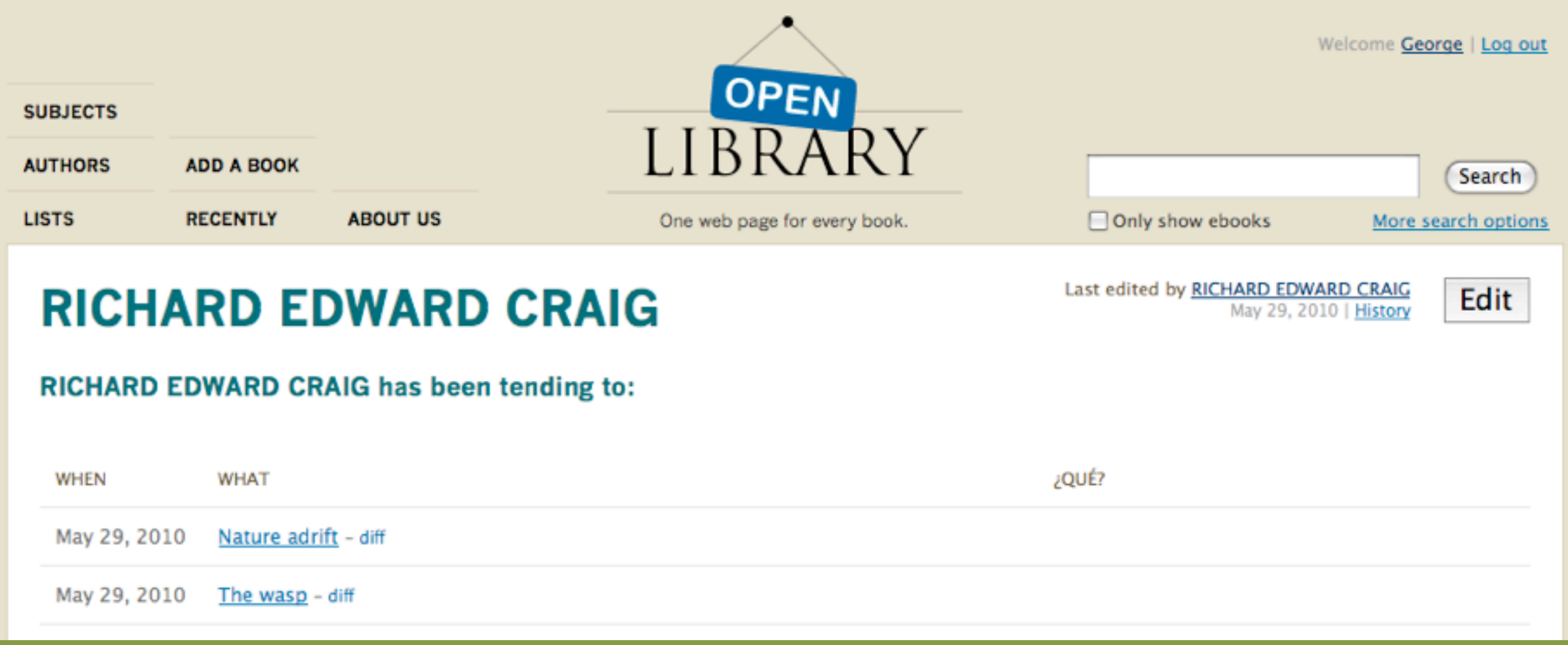
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May 29, 2010	The smallest living things - diff	
May 29, 2010	Mosses and liverworts - diff	
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May 29, 2010	Freshwater planarians (Turbellaria) of North America - diff	
May 29, 2010	Twenty-six afternoons of biology - diff	

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Here's an example of what I would call a subject domain expert. You can see from his recent edits that he's interested in zoology...



Domain Knowledge:

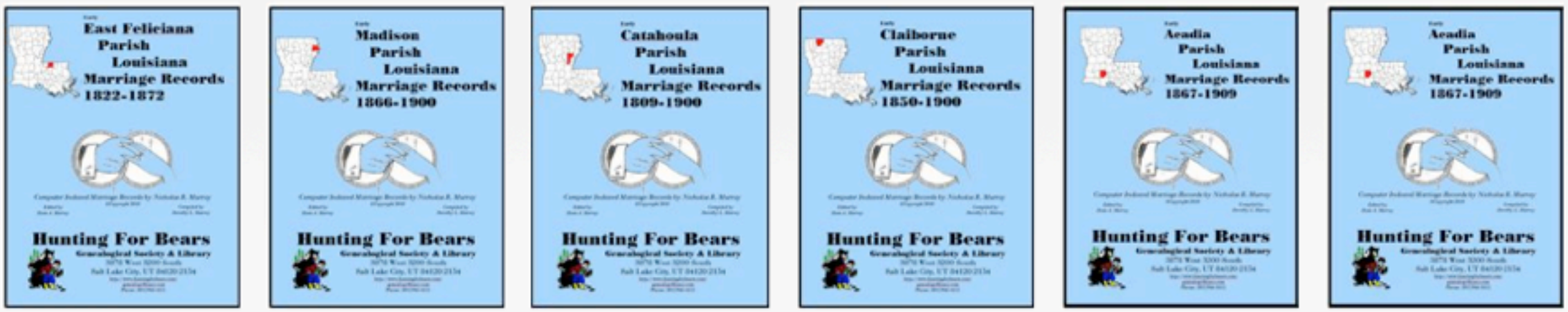
"A good introduction to the zoo plankton. Illustrated throughout."

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Clicking through to his edits, he's noting which books are good for what, as well as adding additional metadata descriptors.

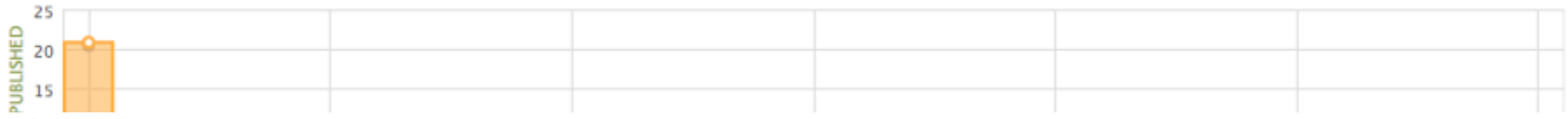
Louisiana Marriage Records

22 works / 0 ebooks published between 1980 & 2011.



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There's a chap called David Murray who has used Open Library to catalog his father's work developing and publishing marriage records for the USA

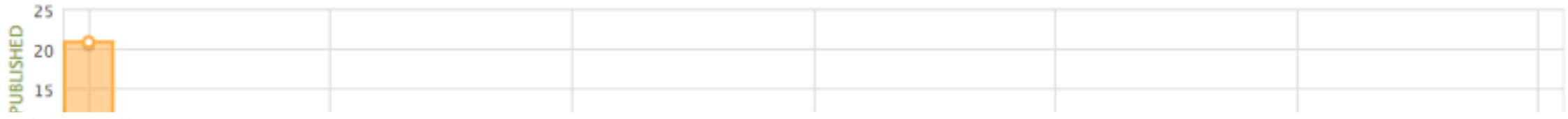
New Subjects:

Created by a relative of the genealogist who wrote all these publications.



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natural artifacts. Her hobby, which grew into over 100 different types of artifacts, was put on display in her home making it into a miny museum! She called her museum the " Quaissa." (Or possibly the " Qnaissa." Correct spelling is unsure.) This was later all over the Sun Journal newspapers. Another favorite hobby of her's was traveling. She traveled throughout Europe, the Holy Land, upper Egypt, and all over the U.S. She was a member of various clubs including: the Baptist Church, Stanton Bird Club, Josselyn Botanical Society of Maine, Turner Center Natural History Club, AND Maine's Writers Research Club! She died at 85 years old in 1954 at her winter home in Waterville after several weeks of illness. (Illness was not specified.) R. I. P. Always be remembered. Reference: Lewiston Journal Illustrated Magazine, Saturday, Sept. 14, 1940. Lewiston Journal Magazine October 8, 1949. " Past Views of Livermore, Maine 1795-1995." Miss Florence Nelson Obituary.

SUBJECTS
Social life and customs

PLACES
New England

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Alternate names

- The "forever educator, lecturer, and naturalist of Maine."

Books by this Author 1 book Add another? Merge duplicates?

Lest we forget
1 edition – first published in 1949

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David A Murray updated Sullivan Co NH Marriages 3 minutes ago

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1 edition of Homecoming by Sue Ann Bowling
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Homecoming

Published 2010 by iUniverse in New York, Bloomington.

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Format	Trade Paperback
Number of pages	317
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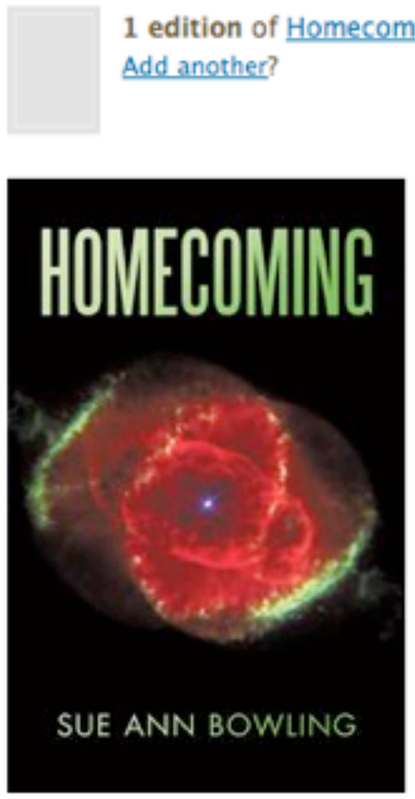
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Arizona's territorial newspapers 1 edition

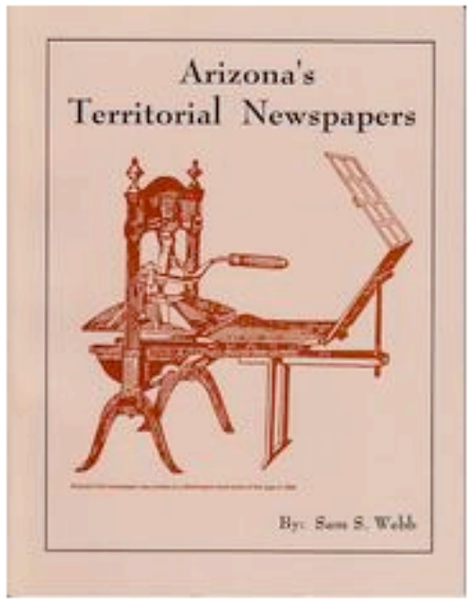
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About the Book

This book describes the early territorial newspapers in Arizona. It has chapters on the major newspapers of that time period and provides lists of the owners and editors along with political affiliations. It contains historical photographs of the newspapers and reprints of stories.



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SUBJECTS
Journalism, History, Frontier and pioneer life

PLACES
Arizona, Tombstone, Phoenix, PrescottTucson

TIMES
20th century, 19th century

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Arizona's territorial newspapers
a brief history of frontier journalism in Arizona
by S.S. Webb.
Published **1997** by S.S. Webb in Borrego Springs, Calif.
Written in English.

Edition Notes
Includes bibliographical references (p. 46).

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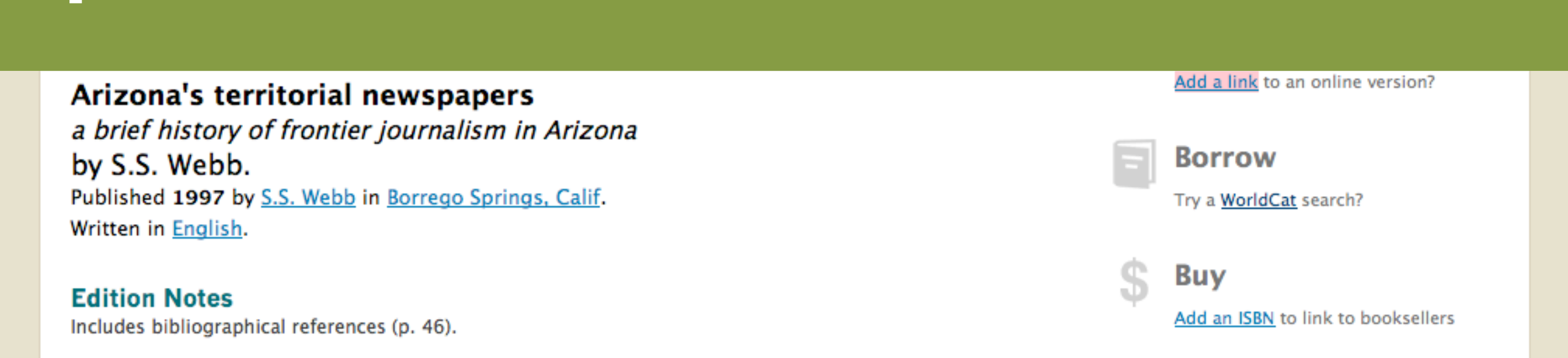
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"I am the author of this book and provided a brief synopsis of what is contained in this publication."



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By Stephen Whitfield

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About the Book

Space junkies and armchair astronauts are provided with comprehensive, handy references for a variety of space-related missions, vehicles, and concepts in this pocket-sized series. Compiled with the cooperation of NASA, each topic-specific orbiters, probes, and experimental equipment are featured in each equipment-specific reference.

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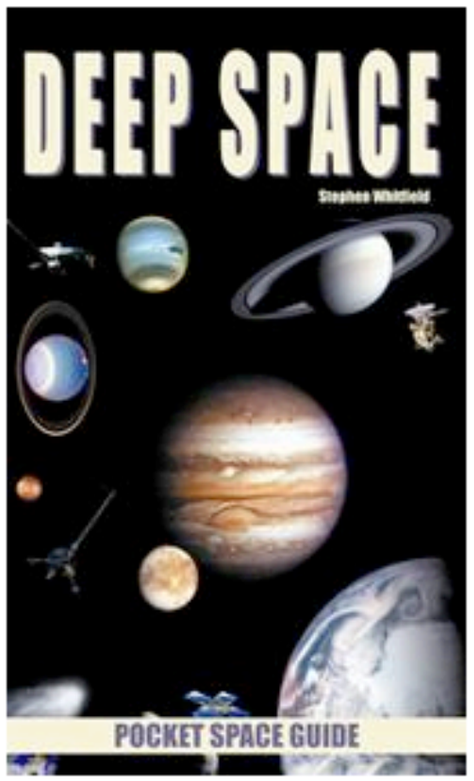
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- so people directly connected to these records have begun to maintain them.

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Duplicate authors (and editions) are an issue... This is an example search for author records with “author” in their names... you can see the variety of ways that catalogers have noted unknown authors...

By Danny Howell
3 minutes ago

Author Merge

Master
Danny Howell (1956 -)

Duplicates
Danny Howell;

Updated Records

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3 minutes ago	/authors/OL4854263A - diff	Merged duplicate author records.
3 minutes ago	The Wiltshire Foundry, Warminster, 1816-1909 - diff	Merged duplicate author records.
3 minutes ago	Danny Howell - diff	Merged duplicate author records.

Around George updated Dorothy L. Jake merged 4 duplicates of Geralda Oreste created Wendy nanney created

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Author merge is an example of one of the tools we've built to help people clean up the data. There are a ton of cases where tiny differences between data entry practices, and that's something hard for a computer to spot. But humans are very good at it. This author, Danny Howell, has searched for himself, found duplicate entries, and merged them himself.

Danny Howell

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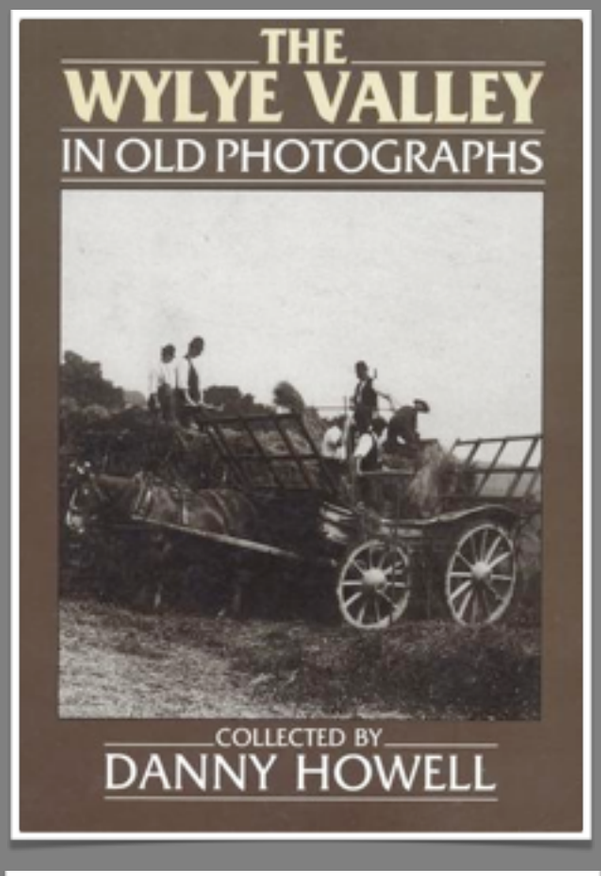
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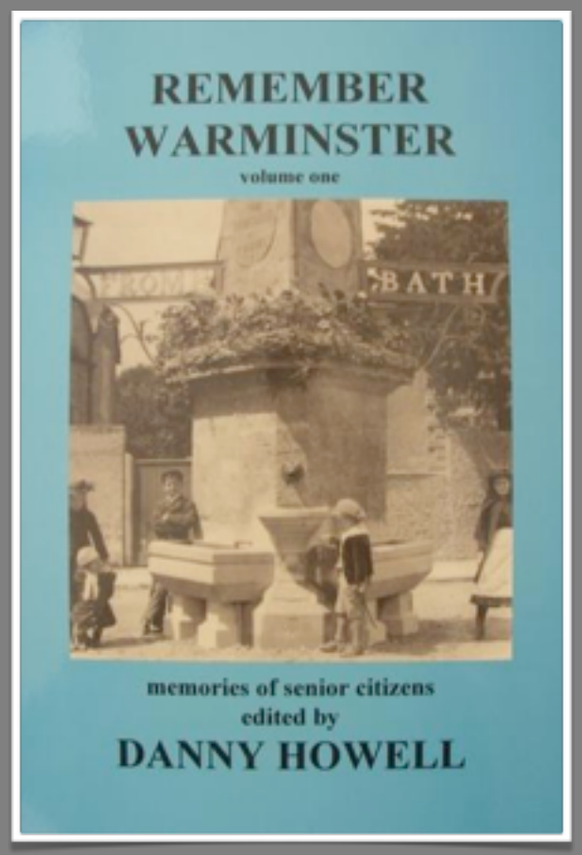
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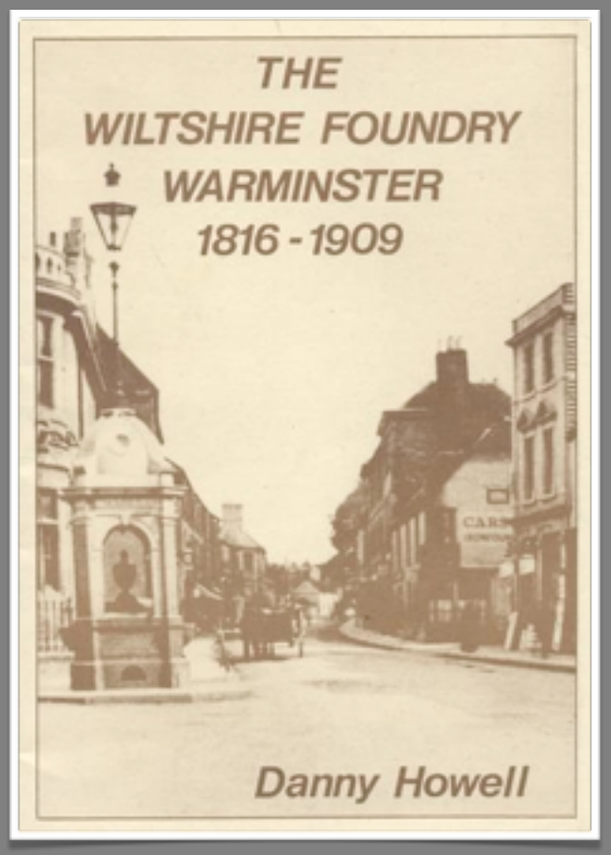
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2 minutes ago	Remember The Wylye Valley - diff	Danny Howell	Added link and details
8 minutes ago	Yesterday's Warminster (Towns Remembered) - diff	Danny Howell	added cover photo and details
10 minutes ago	Yesterday's Warminster (Towns Remembered) - diff	Danny Howell	Added new cover
12 minutes ago	Wylye Valley Memories - diff	Danny Howell	
12 minutes ago	Wylye Valley Memories - diff	Danny Howell	
14 minutes ago	Wylye Valley Memories - diff	Danny Howell	Added new cover
15 minutes ago	Wylye Valley Memories	Danny Howell	Created new edition record.
15 minutes ago	Wylye Valley Memories	Danny Howell	Created new work record.
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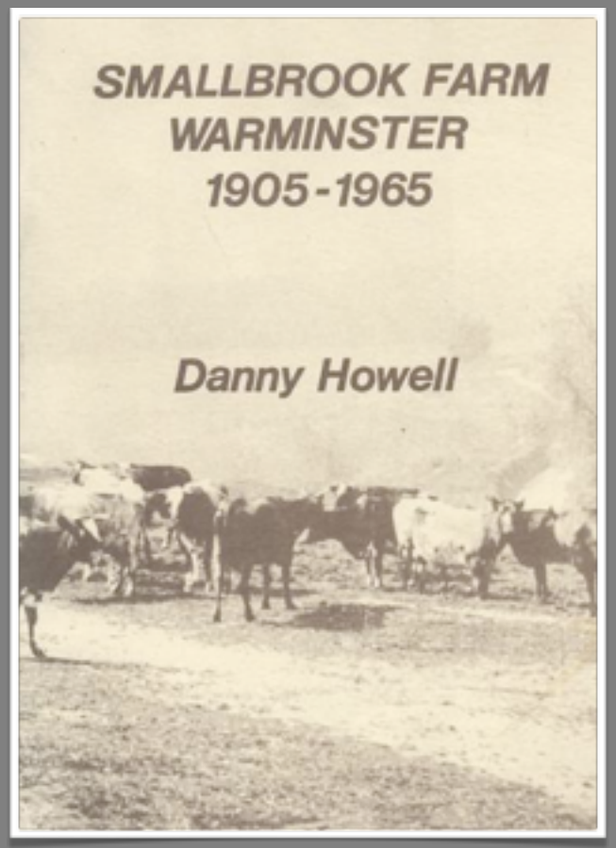
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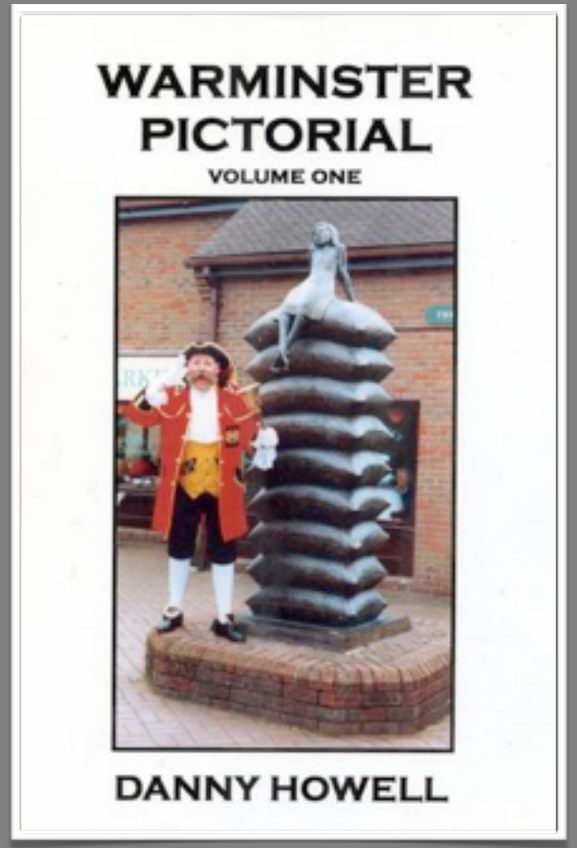


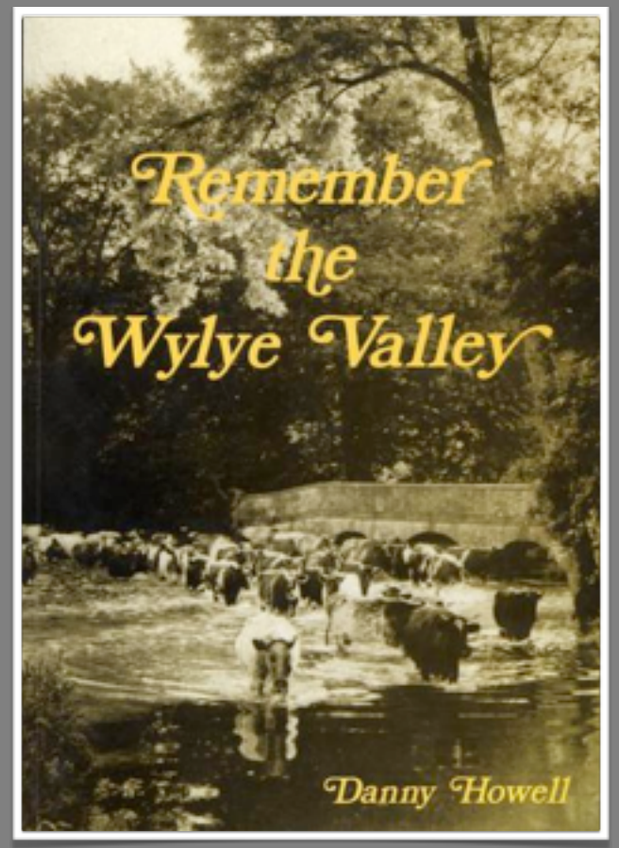


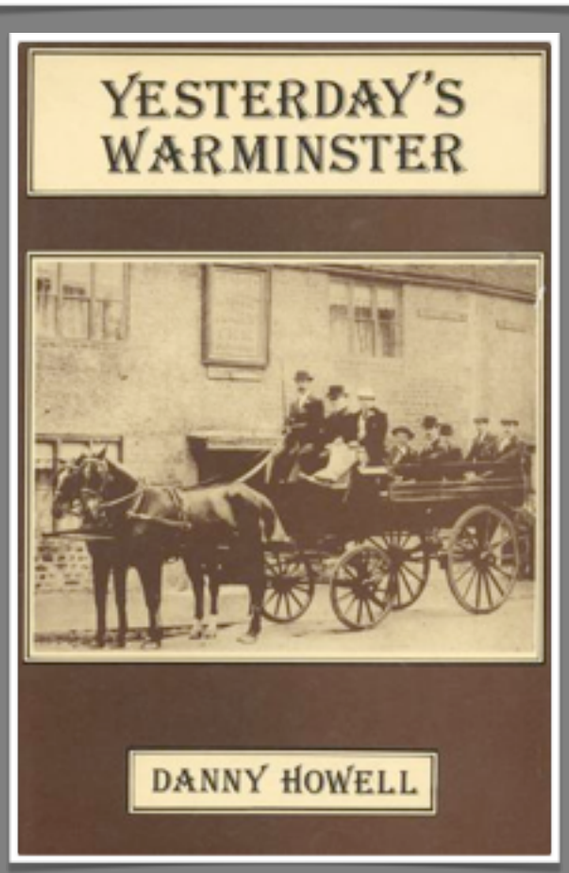












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And has added several new records and covers for his own books.

History

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History is an essential part of any wiki. You can see any/all changes to every record, and even revert changes if you make a mistake, or want to clean something up quickly.

A big part of the redesigned site which launched in May this year was to surface the general activity of the site more prominently, in the hope that it would indicate that there was a lot going on.

History of edits to

The Blender Cookbook

Last edited by George
15 seconds ago

Edit

REVISION	WHEN	WHO	¿QUÉ?	DIFF
9	15 seconds ago	George	Added second author; title case; ToC tidy	○ ◉
8	2 hours ago	ImportBot	Found a matching record from Library of Congress .	◉ ○
7	1 day ago	ToCb0t	Adding Table of Contents	○ ○
6	August 4, 2010	IdentifierBot	added LibraryThing ID	○ ○
5	May 5, 2010	ImportBot	Added new cover	○ ○
3	May 5, 2010	ImportBot	add scanned books from the Internet Archive	○ ○
3	May 5, 2010	ImportBot	add scanned books from the Internet Archive	○ ○
2	December 14, 2009	WorkBot	link works	○ ○
1	April 1, 2008		Initial record created, from Scriblio MARC record.	○ ○

Compare

Around The Library
Ward Kendall was updated anonymously 1 hour ago
catinhat opened a new Open Library account! 1 hour ago
caf21 updated bump Mary Hamilton 2 hours ago
Markus Bonnevier updated Tusenårsresan 46 minutes

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Detailed history list, from which you can select two different versions to compare. If I choose the first version, and the most recent, I can see all the edits that have been made.



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The full diff view

Search

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In addition to browsing the catalog, we have a SOLR search engine.

Search Results

3,407 hits Relevance | Most Editions | First Published | Most Recent

wellington
Search
Only show ebooks

Search inside books?



Wellington by Longford, Elizabeth Harman Pakenham Countess of
9 editions – first published in 1969

The Nuclear Issue by Wellington
1 edition – first published in 1986

Wellington by Hooper, George
5 editions (4 ebooks) – first published in 1889 Read



Wellington: a personal history by Christopher Hibbert
5 editions – first published in 1997



Wellington: The Iron Duke by Richard Holmes
4 editions – first published in 2002

Wellington by Philip Guedalla

Zoom In

Focus your results using these filters

EBOOK?

yes 313
no 3,094

AUTHOR

David W. Felder 54
Wellington, Arthur Wellesley Duke of 40
Monica Wellington 32
Laidler, Harry Wellington 31
Laidler, Harry Wellington 25
more

SUBJECTS

Accessible book 297
History 257
Congresses 155

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you can do a simple keyword search, or focus on specific fields like title, author or subject.

Search Results

4 hits Relevance | Most Editions | First Published | Most Recent

wellington Search Only show ebooks

+ Only ebooks [x] New Zealand [x]

Search inside books?



Descriptions of new genera and species of coleoptera by Thomas Broun

3 editions (2 ebooks) – first published in 1910

Read



Historical records of New Zealand by Robert McNab

2 editions (1 ebook) – first published in 1908

Read



Reports of cases determined by the Court of Appeal of New Zealand by New Zealand. Court of Appeal.

2 editions (1 ebook) – first published in 1877

Read



A handbook for travellers in New Zealand by John Murray (Firm)

1 edition (1 ebook) – first published in 1893

Read

Zoom In

Focus your results using these filters

AUTHOR

Robert McNab 1
John Murray (Firm) 1
New Zealand. Court of Appeal. 1
Thomas Broun 1

SUBJECTS

Accessible book 4
Beetles 1
Description and travel 1
History 1
Law reports, digests 1
more

FIRST PUBLISHED

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You can use search facets to zero in fairly quickly on books you can read online now, in this example, I found 4 ebooks about Wellington.



http://openlibrary.org/subjects/place:new_zealand#ebooks=true

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Of course, if I'm not sure, I can always broaden my search again and just browse...

Search Inside

"Oriental Bay" Search

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We've just released a rebuild of full text search too, and there are brand new Search Inside APIs on the site, hot off the press.

Search Inside

23 hits

"Oriental Bay" Search



New Zealand Cities by Charles Wilson

Published in 1900 by Whitcombe & Tombs • 68 pages • snippets in situ

Read

.... Frontispiece
***Oriental Bay** 11*
Willis Street 13
Bank Corner 16
Thorndon...

*..., and leaving **Oriental Bay** on the left, makes straight for her berth at the Queen's Wharf. At night the circling town lights provide a scene of fairy-like beauty...*

*... of the average pedestrian, is from the **Oriental Bay** tram terminus, "round the rocks" as the local phrase goes, to the Wellington Patent Slip and Kilburnie. All...*



Bulletin - United States National Museum. by *unknown author*

Published in 1877 by Smithsonian Institution Press, [etc.], for sale by the Supt. of Docs., U.S. Govt Print. Off. • 908 pages • snippets in situ

Read

*...., vol. 16, p. 236, fig. 1, 1935 (**Oriental Bay**). HeptrancMas macdonaldi (Ogilby) Whitley, Rec. Australian*

hills; the many evidences of a busy city life which present themselves as the visitor's vessel nears its berthing place—all combine to convey an impression of the importance and prosperity of the capital of the Dominion.

On leaf number 56:

the visitor back to town.

A shorter and very favourite walk, well within the capacity of the average pedestrian, is from the Oriental Bay tram terminus, "round the rocks" as the local phrase goes, to the Wellington Patent Slip and Kilburnie. All these sea-side walks afford a succession of splendid marine views.

A very pleasant inland walk is from the terminal

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Search

Only show ebooks More search options

Around The Library

caf21 updated Selects Her Own 1 hour ago

Gabriela Sikorska opened a new Open Library account! 1 hour ago

annette mosher opened a new Open Library account! 1 hour ago

Fiction Addiction updated His Darkest Embrace 1 hour ago

Problem?

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This is a view of the search snippets in place on the pages, so you can do a quick scan for context before you decide to open the bookreader.

Back to
New Zealand Cities : Wellington
"Oriental Bay"
GO

Island Bay the pedestrian can return to town by the tramway or proceed round the coast to Houghton Bay, where, in rough weather, the wave effects are specially fine, and thence along the excellent road known as the Queen's Drive to Lyall Bay, where again the tramcar can be picked up. From Kilburnie, a fine walk can be obtained round the shores of Evans Bay, past the forts at Shelley Bay, and so on round to Karaka Bay and Seatoun, whence the tramway will bring the visitor back to town.

A shorter and very favourite walk, well within the capacity of the average pedestrian, is from the Oriental Bay tram terminus, "round the rocks" as the local phrase goes, to the Wellington Patent Slip and Kilburnie. All these sea-side walks afford a succession of splendid marine views.

A very pleasant inland walk is from the terminal point of the Wadestown car, to a delightful remnant of the virgin forest, which in Wakefield's day practically encircled the waters of Port Nicholson. This is Wilton's Bush, a beautiful public reserve rich in many varieties of native trees and shrubs, and a mine of possible wealth for the collector of ferns. From Wilton's Bush the return journey may be made by way of Karori, whence the ever-useful tram-car will bring the visitor back to the hustling, bustling city.

Another agreeable jaunt may be made through the Kaiwarra Gorge. Starting from the hill suburb of Khandallah, reached by a fifteen minutes' railway journey from the Thorndon station, a short stroll will bring the pedestrian to the Gorge, which, though to-day shorn of much of its old-time beauty of bush, is still possessed of a certain romantic beauty which makes it a favourite sketching-ground of Wellington artists. An hour-and-a-half's walk—at a leisurely

gait—will bring the visitor back to the main road between Wellington and the Hutt. An exceptionally fine view of the central and southern part of the harbour is to be obtained as the Hutt road is approached.

The Wireless Station on the Tinakori Hills is one of the most prominent points in Wellington. Its position would suggest a very stiff climb, but by



Botanical Gardens Aldersley, photo.

taking the Wadestown car and proceeding along Weld Street (it is advisable to ask local direction at this stage) the Radio Station can be quite easily reached without fatigue. The return journey may be made by way of the Northland suburb, coming down by way of Garden Road to the beautiful Botanical Gardens. Needless to say the views of ocean and landscape to be obtained from the Radio Station are exceptionally fine.

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I can open the book and be reading it within seconds.

(Again, this is the new bookreader, coming out soon!)

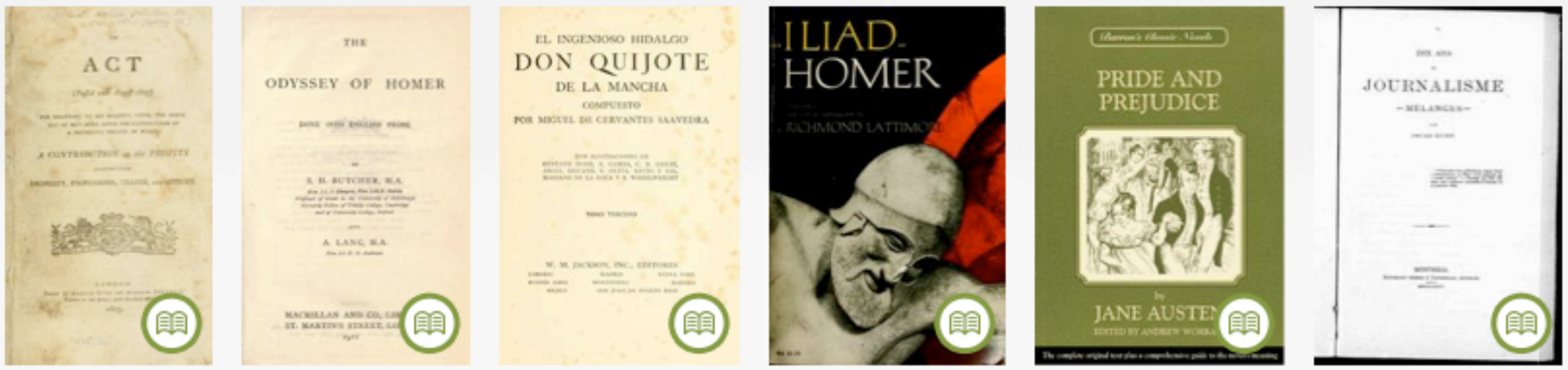
Read, Borrow, Buy

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

I sometimes have to pinch myself to remember that even though we're a wiki, and open, and have all these nice interfaces to explore the catalog, what we're REALLY trying to do is connect people to books. To help people find something to read. So, we connect to actual books wherever we can.

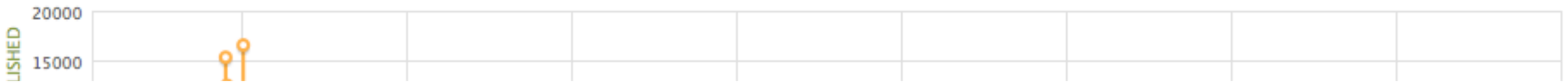
Accessible book

657,305 works / 1,078,835 ebooks published between 1099 & 10000.



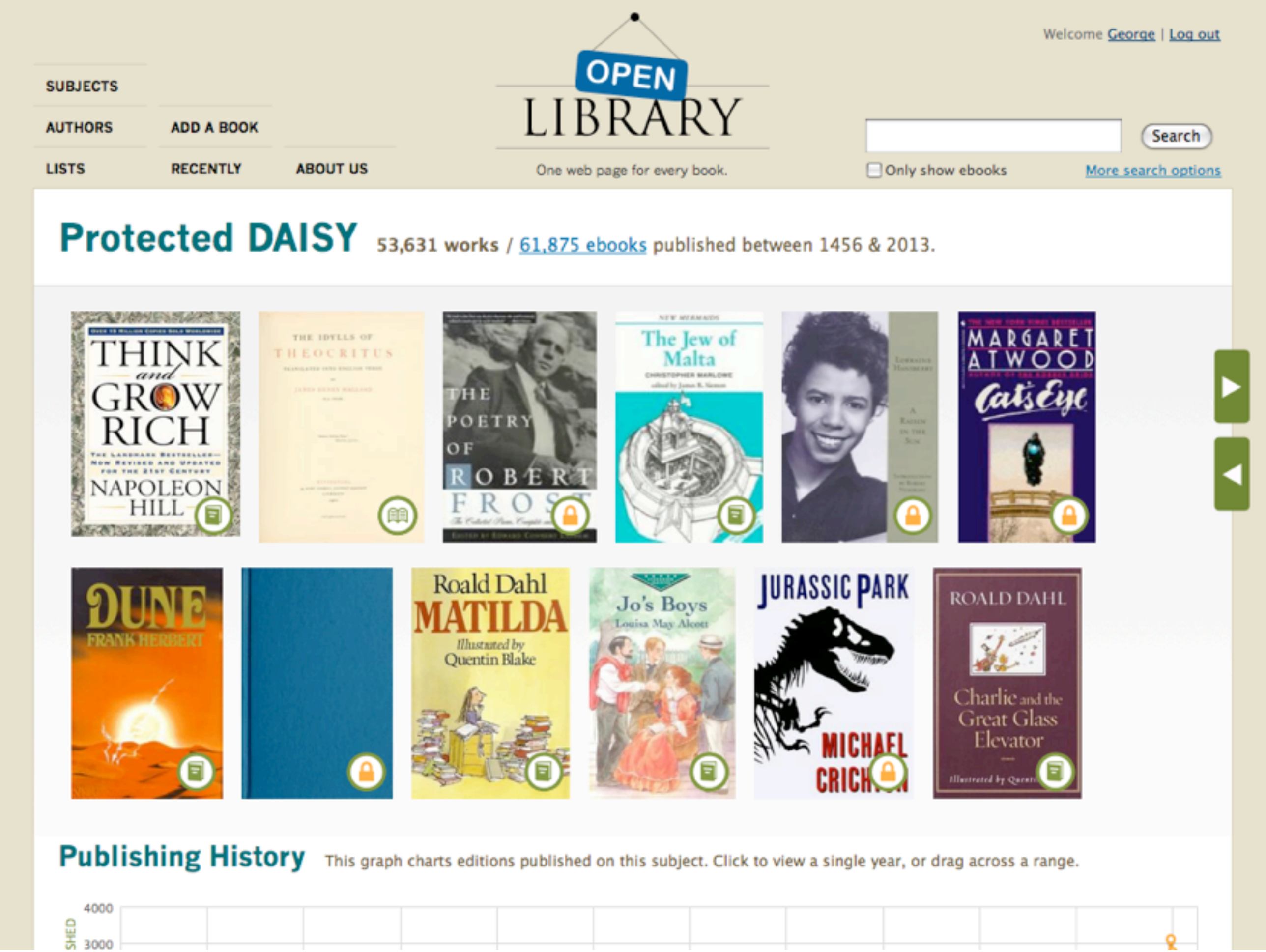
Publishing History

This graph charts editions published on this subject. Click to view a single year, or drag across a range.



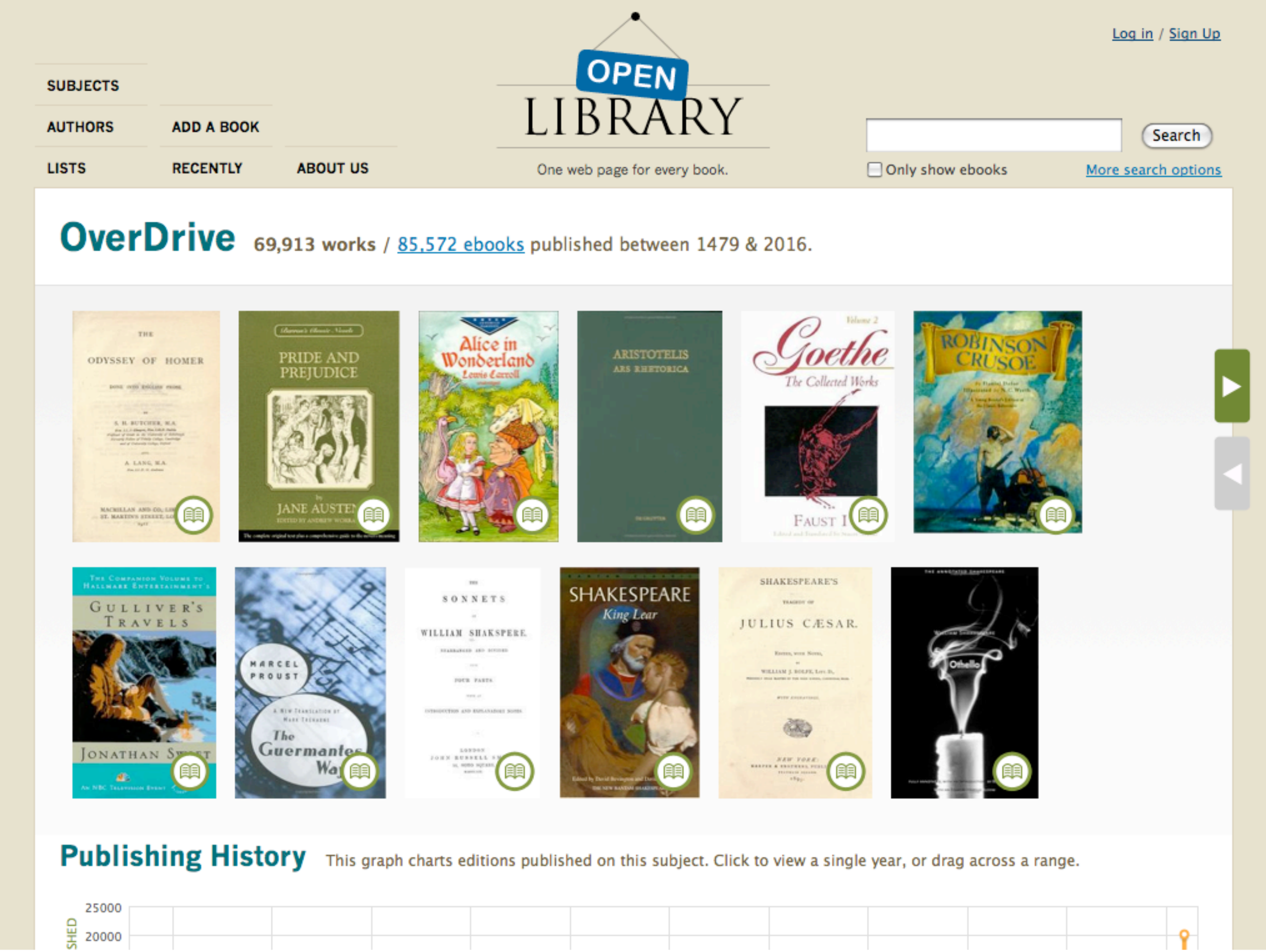
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Over 1 million free books! Available now!



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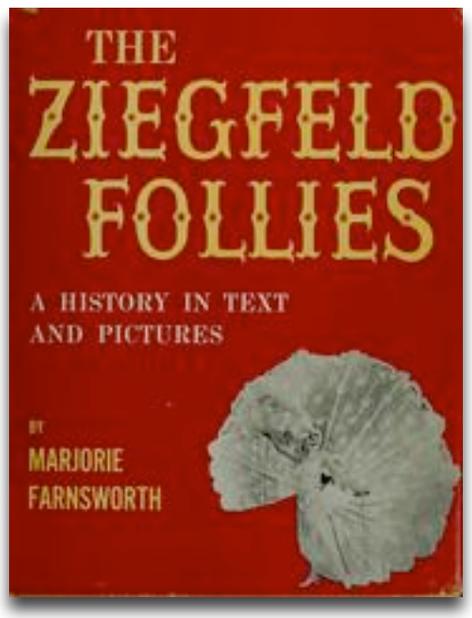
There's also a large collection of works available to the print-disabled community through the NLS program at the Library of Congress. These books are available in DAISY format to anyone registered for a key from the NLS, which will open these DAISYs on a text to speech device.

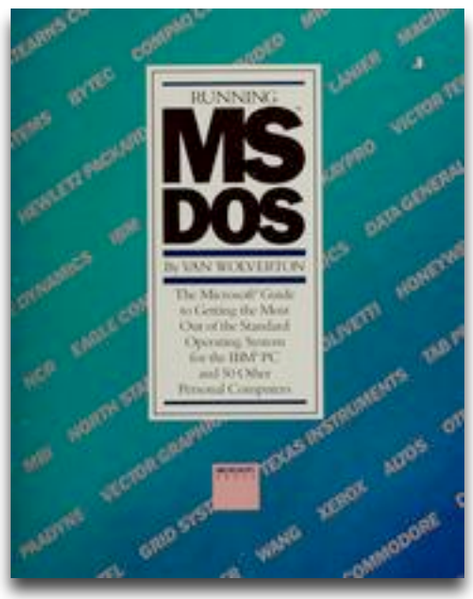


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We've also connected to Overdrive, which is a system that manages loans for various libraries around the world. All of these Overdrive titles have links that send you off to Overdrive to borrow an eBook.







Read

Read online

PDF
Plain text
DAISY
ePub
DjVu streaming
MOBI or send to Kindle

Borrow

Physical copy, local WorldCat

Buy

Add an ISBN to link to booksellers

Read

DAISY

Borrow

eBook PDF, ePub or in browser from Internet Archive

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Buy

Alibris
Amazon
Biblio.com
Powells

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Snapshot of the various combinations of links we can provide to get you to books... We've worked with Overdrive in the states to get eBook versions of things for loans... We're hoping to make the vendors you can buy from more dynamic, and open up the sources for online free texts. Right now, it's just the Internet Archive texts that we link to in full.

That's a glimpse of the sorts of Activity we've seen so far... now on to Data Out.

Data Out

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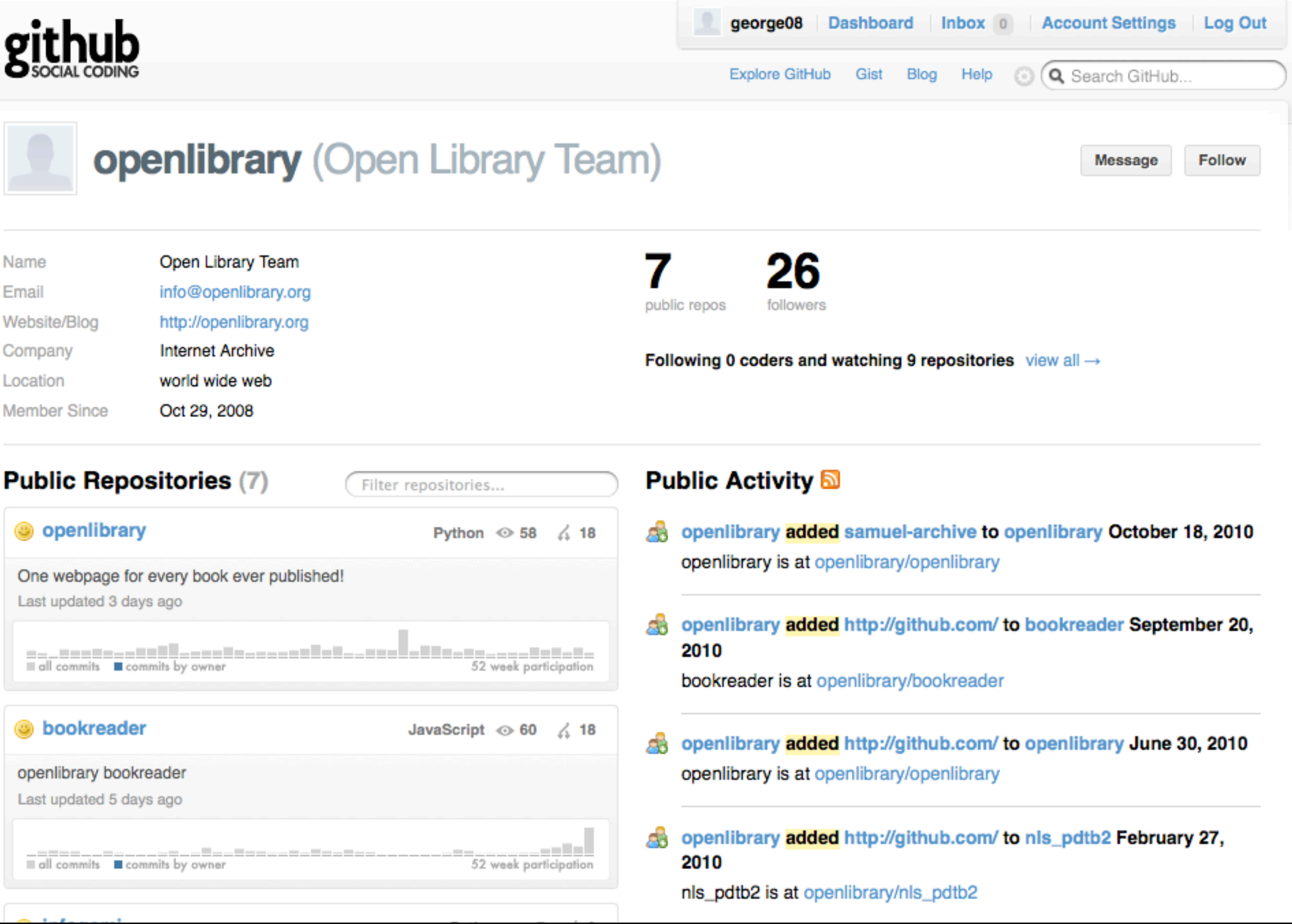
As I mentioned, I spoke to Chris a long time ago about Open Library and Koha beginning to work together.

I wanted to give a quick overview of the ways you can get data back out of Open Library, something we're looking to improve on constantly, and focus on into next year.

Open Source

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

I’m sorry to say that if we’re completely honest, we’re open source by name only... It’s been really inspiring to witness KohaCon though. I’m incredibly impressed by the strength and productivity of the Koha development community. Something to aspire to, to be sure!



http://github.com/openlibrary

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

We certainly have our code online at github, but we rarely receive patches. I'm OK with this, at least for now.

github SOCIAL CODING

george08 | Dashboard | Inbox 0 | Account Settings | Log Out

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openlibrary / bookreader

Watch | Fork | 60 | 18

Source | Commits | Network | Pull Requests (0) | Issues (2) | Wiki (3) | Graphs | Branch: master

Switch Branches (14) | Switch Tags (13) | Branch List

openlibrary bookreader — Read more
http://openlibrary.org/dev/docs/bookreader

Downloads

HTTP | Git Read-Only | http://github.com/openlibrary/bookreader.git | This URL has **Read-Only** access

Doc cleanup



mangtronix (author)
October 07, 2010

commit de897e59ba78a369a1bf
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bookreader /

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BookReaderIA/	October 07, 2010	Doc cleanup [mangtronix]	
LICENSE	November 05, 2008	first checkin. Copy from archive.org CVS to ope... [rajbot]	
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README.txt

http://github.com/openlibrary/bookreader

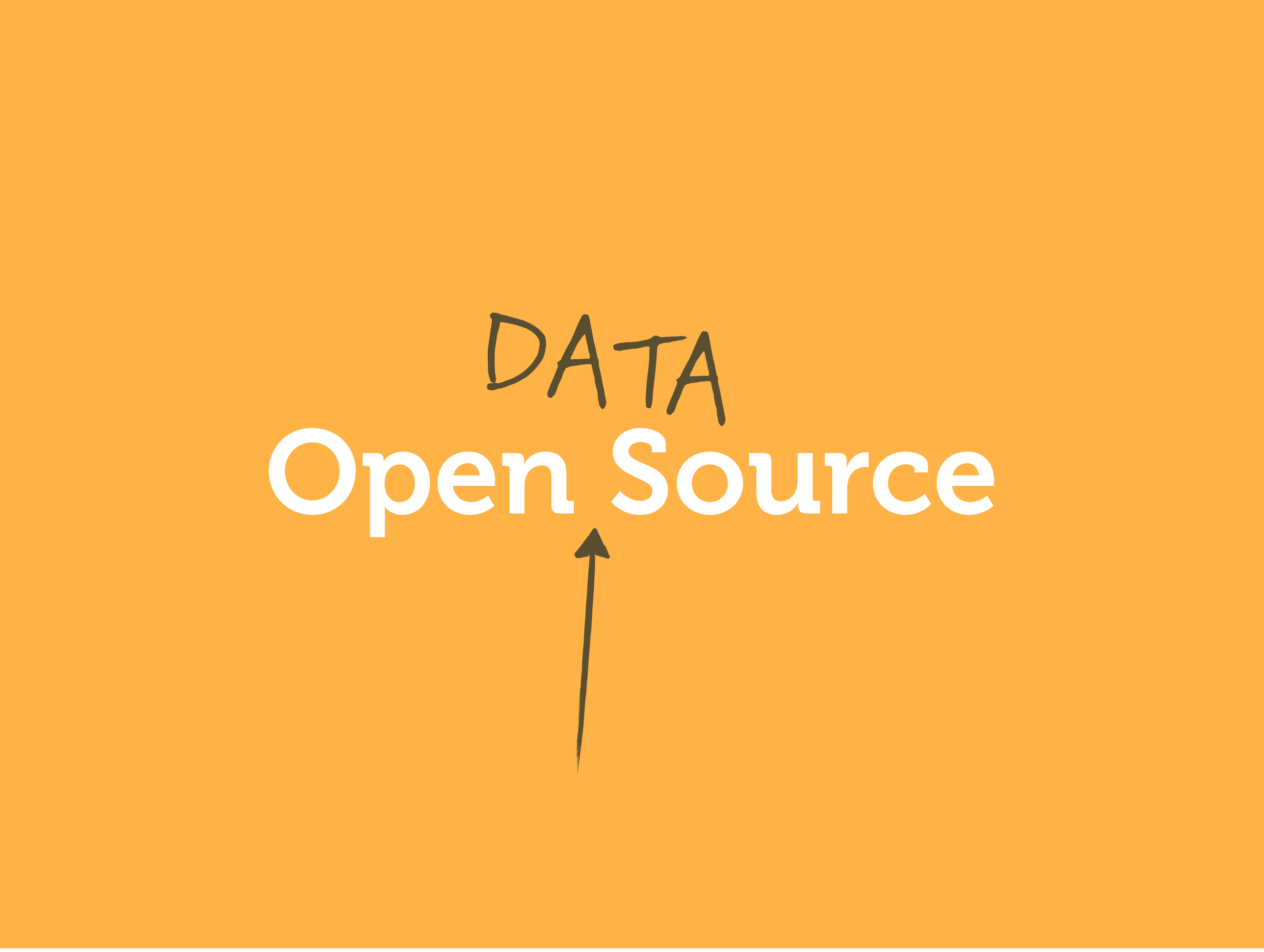
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We've had some awesome patches for the bookreader though – like the Thumbnail view, submitted by Stephanie at the California Digital Library.



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The Library of Congress is using our Bookreader on read.gov. There are quite a few other examples of the IA Bookreader out there on the web. Hopefully the redesign (with touch interactions etc) will attract new people too...



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I think it's much more practical for us to consider ourselves as a free, open, editable bibliographic repository.

Bulk Download

Open Library provides dump of entire edition and author records in JSON format. If you want to download everything, please use this instead of our API.

- All Records
- Authors
- Editions
- Works

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Today, you can download the whole catalog. But, that's a HUGE dataset, and hard to work with.

History Created 2 hours ago · 2 revisions

Download catalog record: RDF / JSON | Wikipedia citation

1 hour ago	Edited by caf21	Added details
2 hours ago	Created by caf21	Added new book.

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Or, you can download individual editions, works or author records as RDF, JSON, or create a Wikipedia citation that you can just paste straight in.

History Created April 11, 2010 · 5 revisions

Download catalog record: RDF / JSON | Wikipedia citation

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September 27, 2010	Edited by Librarian M	merge authors
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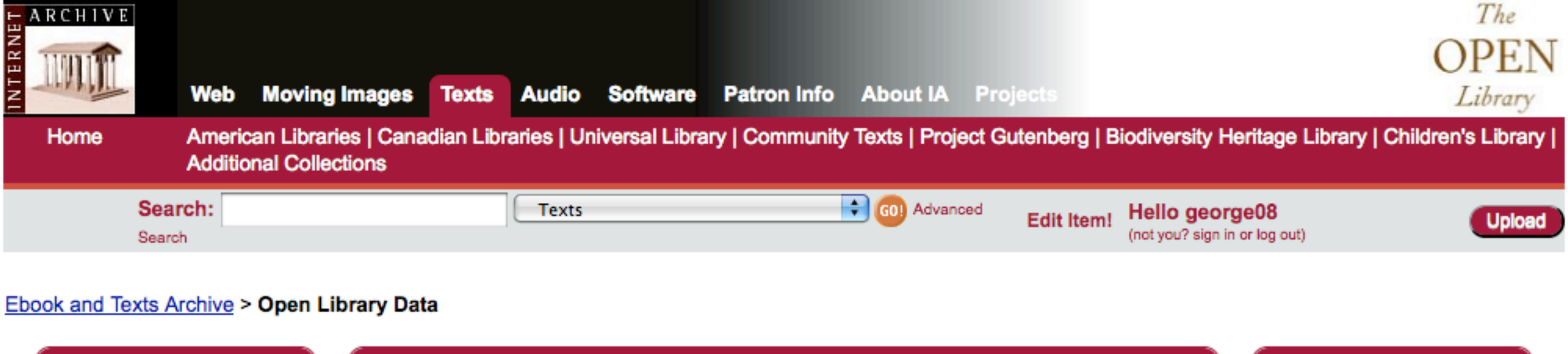


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MARC Record from Library of Congress

Record ID	marc_loc_updates/v38.i34.records.utf8:1304748:670
Source	Library of Congress
Download Link	/show-records/marc_loc_updates/v38.i34.records.utf8:1304748:670?format=raw

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250 **$a**[1st ed.]
260 **$a**Garden City, N.Y.,**$b**Doubleday,**$c**1961.
300 **$a**288 p.**$b**illus.**$c**22 cm.
650 0 **$a**Cooking.
700 1 **$a**Gaden, Eileen,**$e**joint author.



archive.org/details/ol_data

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There's a copy of everything we're using on the Internet Archive too.

APIs

Open Library has a **RESTful API**, best used to link into Open Library data in JSON, YAML and RDF/XML. There's also an earlier JSON API, which is deprecated now. This is only retained for backward compatibility.

You can also return bibliographic data by simply adding an .rdf/.json/.yml extension to the end of any OL bibliographic identifier. There are also links on pages to RDF and JSON versions of Works, Editions and Authors.

Read APIs

- Books
- Covers
- Search
- Search inside
- Subjects
- Recent Changes
- Lists (feature coming soon)
- Query API

Write APIs

- Add book
- Add/Edit/Delete cover/photo
- Edit Work
- Edit Author
- Edit Edition
- Merge Authors
- Edit Page
- Import
- Log in
- Merge Works (feature coming soon)
- Merge Editions (feature coming soon)
- Create/Update List (feature coming soon)

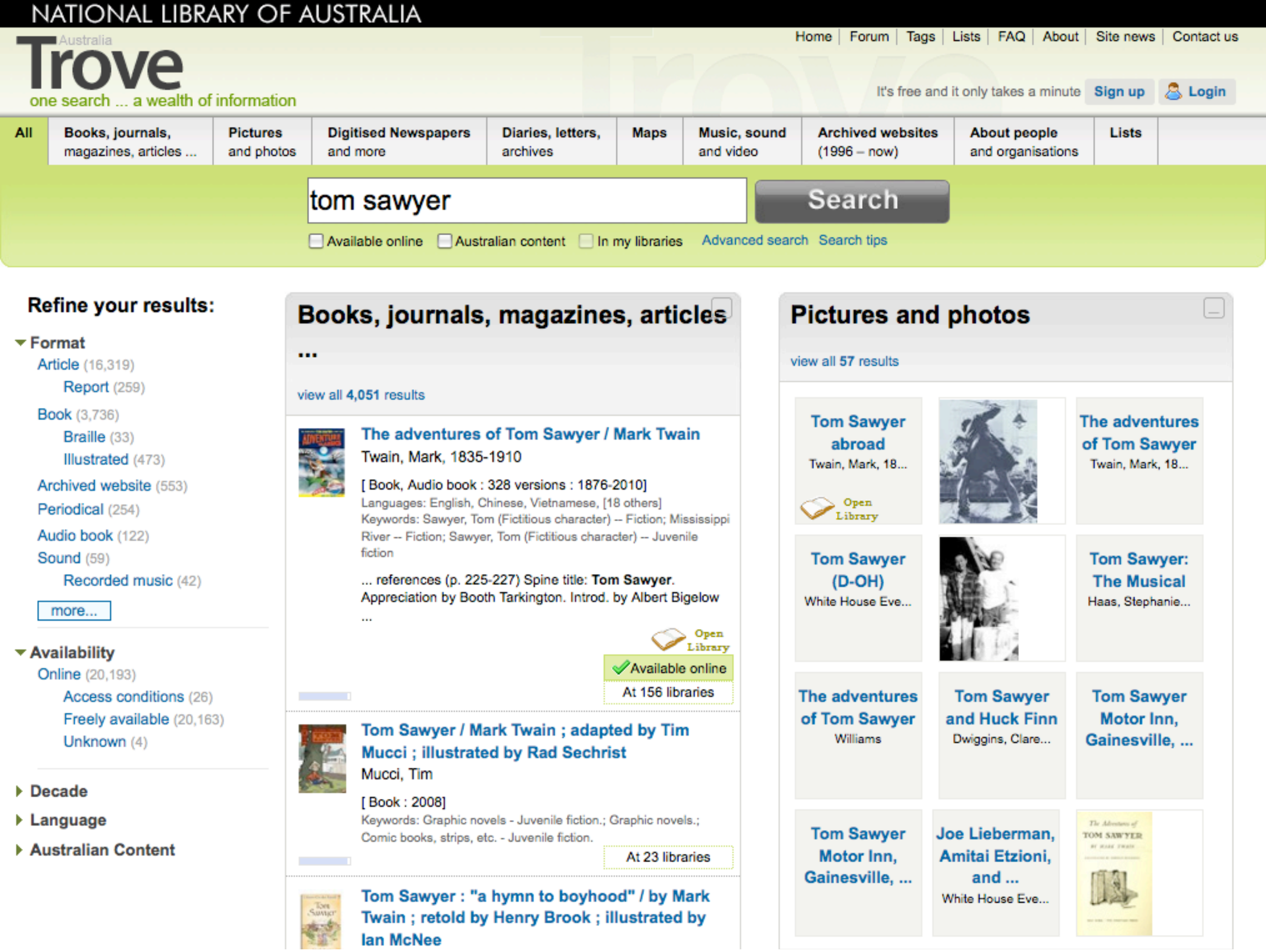
openlibrary.org/developers/api

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We've been working to improve our API offering, and have released several new public APIs in the past few months.

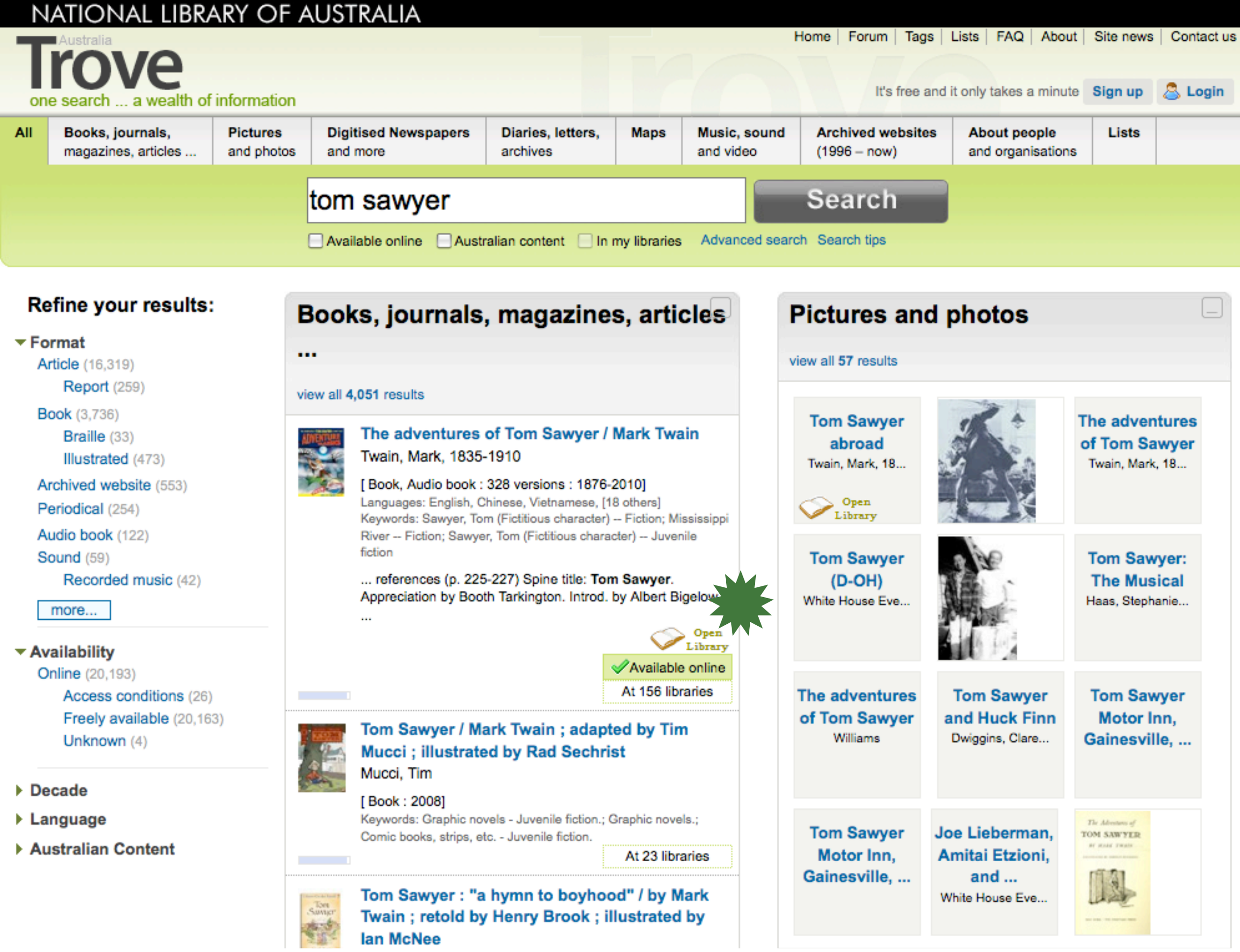
In addition to simply getting book records back, you can now also ping for subject-related data and try out our brand new Full Text Search API.

We're also working on a new Lists feature, and we actually wrote the APIs first, and then built the feature off that.



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One of quite a few examples of Open Library in the wild includes the National Library of Australia's new search engine, Trove.



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You can see there that there are links to Open Library books wherever one can be sourced.

There are a growing number of sites making use of Open Library data... and that's what we're all about – data in, data out. The more interconnections we can make with other systems, the easier it will be for people to land where they want to go inside Open Library.

To conclude...

Some Koha ideas

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

If I were able to come to the hackfest - and I'm really sorry I won't be there - I would be looking to try a few things...

Using Open Library Records (+ Read, Borrow, Buy?)

covers.openlibrary

Search Inside

Subjects Data

“Send to Koha”

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

I’m so pleased to be here to begin the conversation of future integrations between Koha and Open Library. I wonder if these few ideas might be good places to start...

(discuss ideas)

And with that...

The END

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